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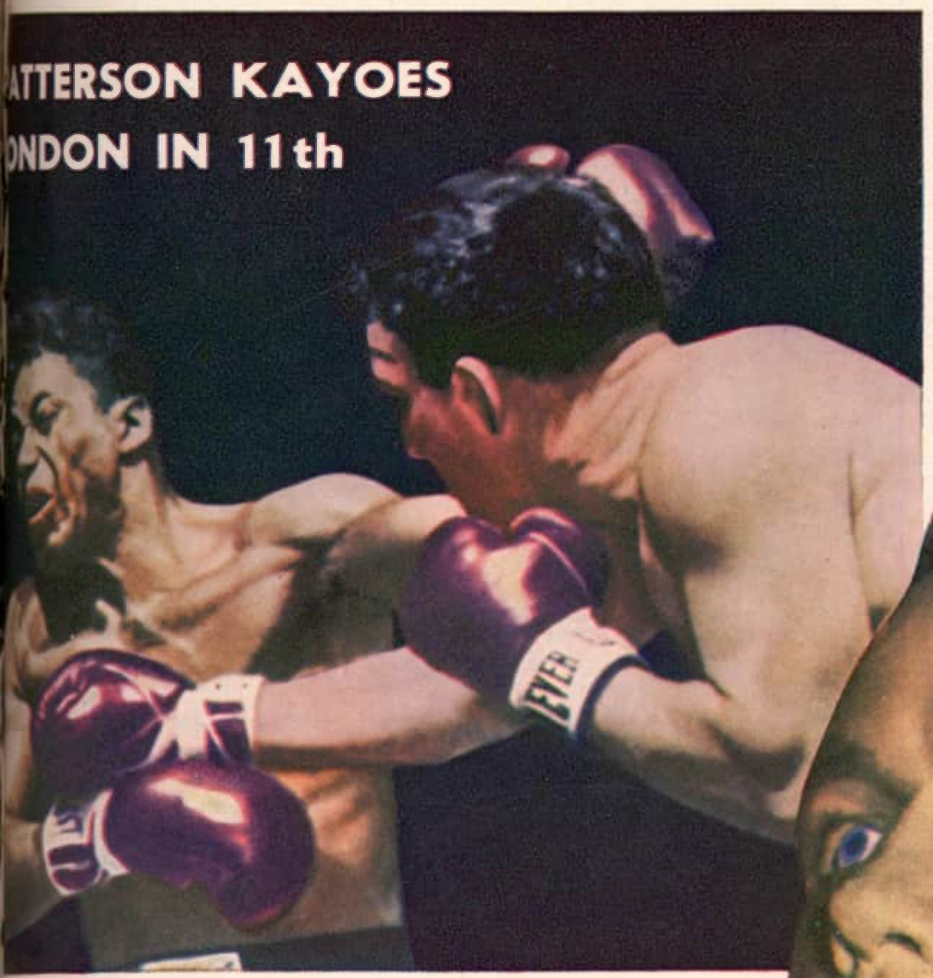

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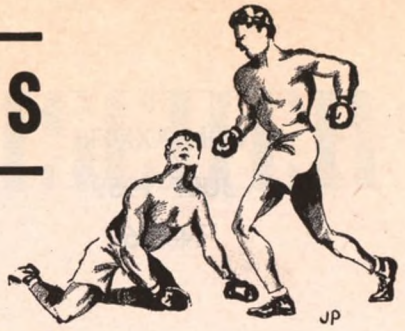


NATIONAL BODY NEEDED

Dear Sir:

Professional boxing has frequently been plagued with the problem of world champions not defending their titles often enough or against the principal challengers. Boxing bodies have dealt ineffectually with this problem. Some progress in resolving it would be a great boon to boxing and would be much appreciated by those who support the sport, i.e. the fans.

Who ever heard of a leading golfer being denied the right to attempt to qualify for the U. S. National Open golf championship, or a leading tennis professional being kept out of a world professional tennis tournament?

Can you picture the New York Yankees baseball team as winners of the American League refusing to meet the winning team of the National League for a World Series title? Can you imagine an annual championship being postponed for a year or two because the previous year's winner did not want to defend his title until he felt like doing so?

It seems ridiculous that boxing should be the only leading professional sport with no kind of periodic competition required among the leading participants to insure that the best man becomes champion.

There should be developed a United States national boxing body and a world boxing body with adequate recognition and authority.

George Brown,
New York, N. Y.

LET'S REALLY FIGHT

Dear Sirs:

I have been following fights for 4 years and used to enjoy them very much. After the last month I really don't care if I see another one unless it happens to be Fullmer, Basilio, Jones or some of the others that try to win every time they fight. For instance, Joe Brown (as great as he is), against Johnny Busso looked like he didn't care if he won or not. Then we have Joey Giardello (an old pro if there ever was one), who fought Spider Webb as though he just got out of bed. Last, but not least, Virgil Akins (who hits like a mule), looked like a $5.00 a night bum against Don Jordan who is nothing.

George B. Dahl
Salt Lake City, Utah

A KUDO

Three Cheers! And a big hand of applause to The Ring for giving due recognition to Sonny Liston, Reuben Vargas, Lenny Mathews, Paul Armstead, Denny Moyer and Mauro Vazquez (Front cover, May issue).

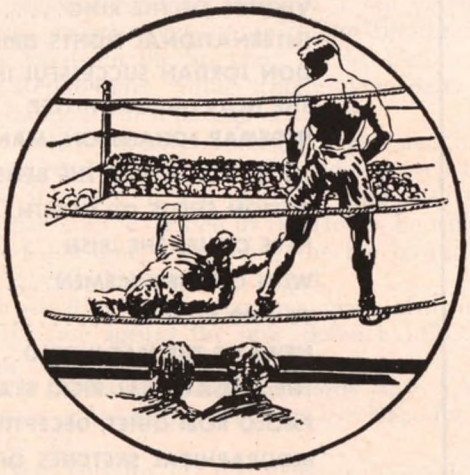
Fight fans in California are very proud of Mauro Vazquez who is one of the most sensational Mexican lightweights to appear on the scene in a long time.

Reggie Carles
Hollywood, Cal.

NO GROANS

Gentlemen:

I have just finished reading The Ring, and I must say that it was a



pleasure to read a fine and informative magazine.

I was glad to see that Pat O'Connor won the wrestling title and I believe that O'Connor will certainly be a great aid in bringing the grunt-and-groan game back into the sports spotlight.

There are many challengers for O'Connor's title, but I believe Verne Gagne, Dick Hutton, Lou Thesz, Billy Watson, and Wilbur Snyder are the only *worthy* challengers; and the National Wrestling Alliance and the National Wrestling Association should determine where and when to have championship matches.

Thanks again for your excellent mat coverage. Only through "The Ring" can boxing and wrestling fans get all the important ring news.

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I READ YOU

Dear Sirs:

I have just read your latest book "Fifty Years at Ringside". I believe it is by far "The Ring" Editor's greatest work and will become an inspiration to millions of boxing followers. I believe the sporting world is fortunate indeed to have boxing's greatest expert and historian in Nat Fleischer, a man of honor, integrity and fair play.

With the passing of the years there will be an even greater appreciation of the services your Editor has performed for boxing enthusiasts.

Willard Zirrold
South Amann, Iowa

DON'T GIVE ROBBY ORDERS?

Dear Sirs:

I read the article about Judge Streit's decision concerning Ray Robinson. The reason I'm writing to you is because I thing RING has more influence concerning public opinion than any commission or court ruling concerning boxing.

I agree 100% that a champion should defend his title at least twice a year against worthy opponents, but I don't think they (the NBA or the Supreme Court) have any business having ordered Robinson to defend his title against Basilio for the following reasons: Note, I'm not trying to defend Robinson nor am I trying to belittle Basilio.

1. To my knowledge their hasn't been a middleweight title fight between a challenger, who has really worked his way up the middleweight ranks, excluding Fullmer, and the champion in at least five years.

2. Contenders have been fighting hard to establish themselves in the elite ten. When they finally make it they can't get a shot at the title due to the fact the champ is fighting a former champ, (take the case of the two fights between Olson and Robinson) or the champ going after a heavier title (Olson —Moore), then there is a lighter champ going after a heavier title (Basilio—Robinson). During this long period of time the worthy contenders (Calhoun, Webb, Giardello, Mims, Boyd, Jones etc.) were knocked off by fast rising

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IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

The summer season is in full swing and action is heavy and hectic, with three big world title bouts covered in the August issue of The Ring.

In addition to the Joe Brown-Paolo Rosi lightweight championship match and the Pascual Perez-Kenji Yonekura flyweight title go, The Ring will also bring its readers complete coverage, in story and pictures, of the great international heavyweight championship fight held at Yankee Stadium, June 25, between Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson.

It's an issue you don't want to miss, packed with thrilling stories of exciting fights from cover to cover.

Nat Fleischer, Editor and Publisher of The Ring, is returning from a month's tour of the British Isles and the Continent, his annual "scouting" trip, taken to give The Ring readers first hand information on what is going on in foreign boxing and of the rising young fighters who are the ones to watch. Be sure to read this expert account of European boxing.

What now for the middleweights? With Ray Robinson being squeezed with the threat of a tournament to find a succcessor to his crown the middleweight pot is once more boiling. But Sugar Ray still remains the key man—the money man—and he exerts a tremendous influence on the division. Read about Robinson's latest plans in the amazing middleweight muddle.

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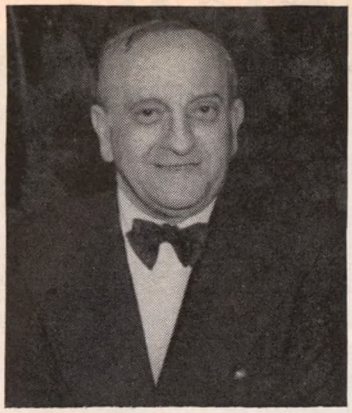

NAT FLEISCHER

Says

State Legislators Hit Boxing Below The Belt
Gov. Lawrence Vows To Save Sport In Pennsylvania
Revocation Of License Would Curb Idle Champions

PROFESSIONAL boxing, despite the international interest displayed in the heavyweight championship matches, has received a rough going over by the legislators of several states in recent weeks.

We are happy to note that the vicious attacks on the sport in Connecticut failed in their mission. The Health and Safety Committee turned against the bill that called for the abolition of the sport. State Senator Norman Hewitt, its chairman, in making the announcement, said:

"Although the public must be aware of the deplorable state to which the art of professional boxing has fallen, the public is not prepared for the passage of a bill outlawing boxing."

But in Pennsylvania, the Senate passed a measure to rip out the three-member State Athletic Commission and to replace it with a deputy in the Secretary of the Commonwealth's office. All Democrats opposed the bill while the Republicans, voting strictly along party lines, supported the measure and now it is up to the House to decide its final passage or defeat.

In Pennsylvania Chairman Jim Crowley receives $8,500 per year and his associates, Alfred M. Klein and Commissioner Paul G. Sullivan, each gets $7,500. In addition each is entitled to a secretary. The sponsors of the bill declared that if passed, it will save the state $100,000 but Governor David L. Lawrence, a fight fan, declares that even if passed by the House, he will veto the measure.

Pennsylvania and Connecticut at one time were among the top boxing centers of America but today they are down to a very low level with little boxing staged.

What has brought about such situation? Investigations, many of them meaningless but sufficient to arouse public ire; the government's case against the now defunct I.B.C. and Cus D'Amato's "Holy War" in which he finally found himself trapped.

Deaths of famous old time boxers continue to head line sports pages around the country. During the past month two more old names were added to the necrology list: Baby Joe Gans and One Round Hogan, lightweights with good fighting records.

Hogan is best remembered in New York for his two fights with Leach Cross, both at the Fairmont Club. In the first, a free-for-all brought the police on the run. Hogan, well supported by the Irish who wagered heavily on his chances against New York's Ghetto King, fouled Cross at least a dozen times and Referee Charley White disqualified Hogan after two minutes of the opening round had been fought. Then the riot got under way and White, threatened, declared:

"Under the Frawley Law I warned each man that there must be no hitting on the break. Hogan repeatedly violated the rules and I had to disqualify him."

They fought again eight months later and Cross stopped the tough California Irishman in the third round.

Back in 1910 Hogan compiled a record of eighteen straight one round kayos and that feat brought him to the attention of Eastern promoters who bid for his services. Walter Frayne, his manager, telling the story of Hogan's first New York visit, said:

"We received a wire offering Hogan several bouts. Have lined up a few 'suckers for Hogan', read the wire and with the price being right, I quickly accepted. Who were these 'suckers'? They turned out to be the tough, hard hitting Knockout Brown, Packey McFarland, one of the rings greatest and cleverest lightweights and Ad Wolgast, one time holder of the crown; Jack Dorman, another tough New Yorker and Battling Nelson who the year before had lost the lightweight title to Wolgast.

"Real suckers, all of them. I often wondered who were the top lightweights if that lot were only the 'suckers'"!

CONCERTED ACTION WOULD BE THE ANSWER

The case of Ray Robinson, whose refusal to sign for a contract to defend his crown against Carmen Basilio, who had filed a challenge with the New York Commission, and whose suit against that Board was ruled against him by the New York Courts, brings up the problem of how commissioners can best

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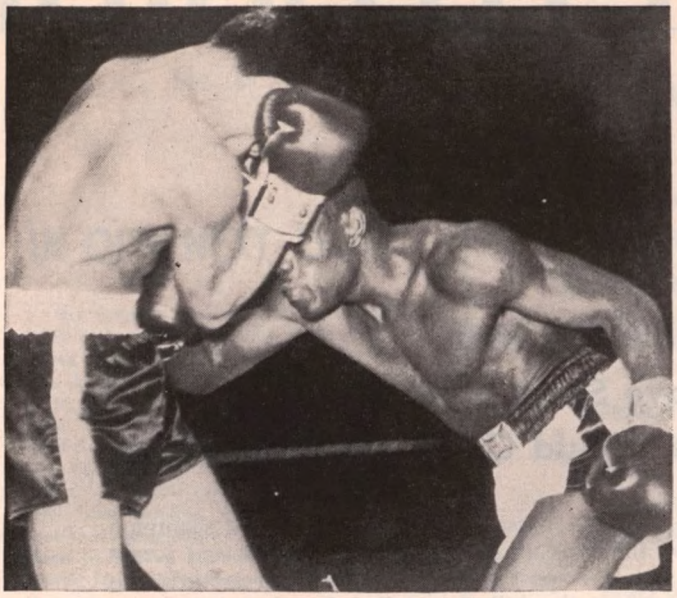
FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

A STITCH IN TIME



Gaspar Ortega (left) vs Rudell Stitch

Rudell Stitch, Louisville, Ky. welterweight, used a steady two-fisted body attack to wear down Gaspar Ortega of Mexico, in winning a unanimous ten round decision in their televised bout from Syracuse, N. Y. Stitch gained revenge for a split decision loss handed him by Ortega a few months ago. The victory, the third in a row for the Louisville "Deacon", gained him a place among the top ten 147 pound challengers.

Crafty Yama Bahama, Bimini 150 pounder, had too much know-how for young Phil Moyer and handed the Portland, Oregon lad a boxing lesson in their ten round session in the Northwest City. Phil, older brother of Denny, gave it a good try in his TV debut but was outclassed by the fast punching Bahama who used his left jab to pile up most of the points.

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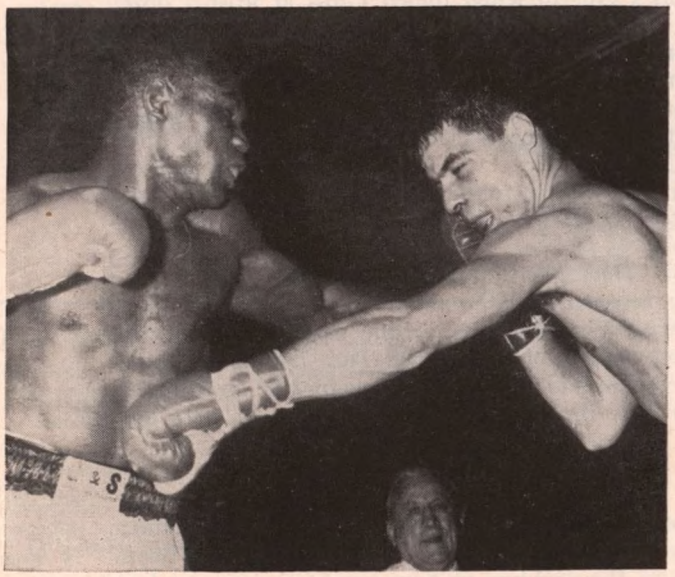

Phil Moyer (right) vs Yama Bahama

I'VE GOT YOU CORNERED

Joey Giardello (left) vs Holly Mims

In a thrilling and bruising battle between two crafty veterans, Joey Giardello staged a furious assault in the tenth and final round to edge out a split verdict over Holly Mims at the New Capitol Arena in Washington, D. C. Joey, cut over both eyes and staggered by a volley of punches in the eighth round, fought his way out of the fog and closed out with a last ditch rally that gained him the fight. It was a big step back for the Philadelphian who had lost his three previous contests and needed to win to remain among the contenders in the middleweight division.

Victor Zalazar, Argentina middleweight, who came to the United States with an unbeaten record and had taken two lickings at the hands of Benny Paret then was held to a draw by Joe Lissy, showed the ability expected of him for the first time in winning a unanimous ten round decision over Canadian title holder Wilf Greaves at St. Nick's in New York City. Victor floored Greaves in the last round and only the final bell saved the durable Canadian from his first knockout defeat.

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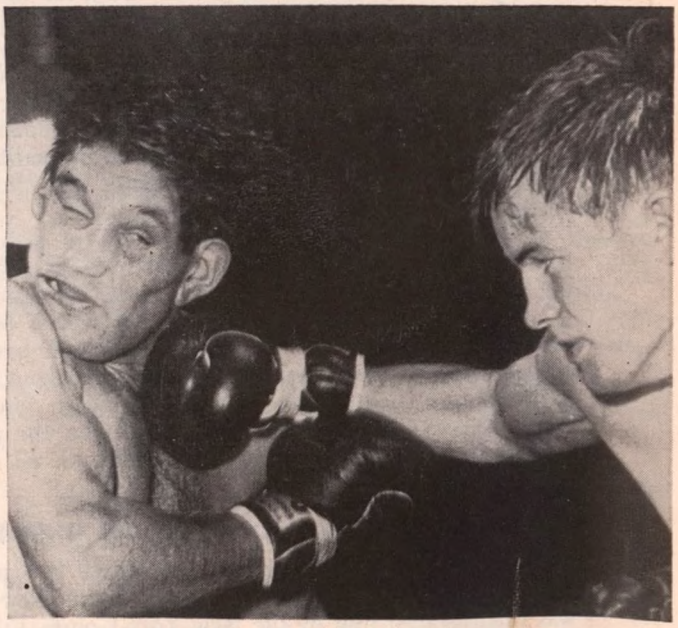

Victor Zalazar (left) vs Wilfie Greaves

Robinson-Basilio On?

By DAN DANIEL

As this issue of The Ring Magazine rolled off the presses, the much talked about middleweight championship match between titleholder Ray Robinson and former champion Carmen Basilio had yet to become a fact accomplished.

A second meeting of the New York Boxing Commission on the subject of the match, and consideration of the National Boxing Association's announced forfeiture of Ray's title for failure to defend it, reached no definite conclusion on May 20. There was yet another postponement.

The New York Commission hemmed and hawed, lawyers objected and protested and what with one thing or another, it was far from an edifying session.

Many interesting developments cropped out in the course of the long conference. For one thing, it came out that American Promoters, Inc., reported to be ready to put on a Robinson-Basilio fight in Philadelphia on September 21, had no license from the Pennsylvania Commission.

Robinson was pulling for a fight in Philadelphia, where he insisted he could pick up a fabulous return from the gate and Tele Promp Ter closed circuit television, as much as $700,000.

Basilio figured that he was worth $375,000 instead of the $225,000 he was offered.

On the sidelines was the IBC, doing what it could to save the fight for itself, even if it had to take it out of New York and put it on in Los Angeles. It offered $500,-000 to the champion.

Basilio denied that, if he did not fight Robinson, he had a match already cooked up with Gene Fullmer.

The general tone of the New York meeting was woefully indecisive. There was a feeling that Robinson still was working every which way to hold off Basilio and fight Archie Moore, if the light heavyweight champion should beat Canada's Durelle again on July 15.

Just a lot of cloak and dagger stauff, with plot and counter plot, and much too much money for a middleweight championship fight being tossed about.

BASILIO STARTED RETURN FIGHT EFFORT MARCH '58

The history of the Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio series is an interesting one and merits review.

Basilio's effort to get a third match with Ray dates from March 26, 1958.

The night previous, Robinson regained the middleweight championship from Carmen in a fierce 15 rounder in Chicago.

Ray fenced around, as Ray will when he is of a mind to do so, and kept Basilio guessing.

Robinson, then middleweight champion, met Carmen for the first time in New York on September 23, 1957.

Basilio, welter king, had no worthy contenders to cope with in his division, so he jumped at the chance to try for the 160 pound title.

Basalio won. A fine, close fight in which his always dominant ability to take it and dish it out, and his remarkable stamina stood out.

On the basis of his fine showing, Robinson deserved a return match. Of course, it was to Basilio's financial interest to give it to him because a royal pay day was offered in no other direction.

So they fought in Chicago, and Ray became the middleweight champion for the fifth time, an amazing record and a thoroughly unprecedented achievement.

ROBINSON KEEPS BASILIO ON HOOK FOR THIRD

Having given Robinson that return shot, and lost the title in the process, Basilio figured that Ray should extend a similar courtesy to him, and sign up for a third meeting.

However, Robinson had many irons in the fire.

In the first place, he refused to fight in New York. In the second place, he had a match with Archie Moore in mind. This was contingent on the light heavyweight champion's beating Mons. Durelle again on July 15.

So Ray delayed and quibbled and kept making demands which Jack Dempsey in his heyday might have matched, but in the current situation in boxing, hardly fitted into the middleweight picture.

Finally somebody had the strength of position and the resolution to bring Robinson to book. And it wasn't the New York State Commission, which should have done something about it, but stood around deploring the weather.

The National Boxing Association declared Robinson's title forfeited, and looked toward a Basilio fight with Gene Fullmer.

Robinson then began to consider a fight in Europe with somebody named Gustav Scholz. George Gainford, Ray's pilot, was said to know Scholz.

EBU WOULD HAVE BACKED UP NBA

Then came the tip from abroad that if Robinson continued to beat about the bush, the European Boxing Union and the World Championship Committee would back up the NBA.

This made even the self assertive Robinson do some fast thinking.

Then he came up with the announcement that he had signed to defend the title against Basilio in Philadelphia on September 21.

Philadelphia obviously is not New York, and the promotion in Philadelphia was not to be done by the IBC.

Robinson said that Basilio had been offered $225,000 to fight him. Ray was moving to kill off posible support of the NBA title forfeiture by the New York Commission. Other commissions around the country were reported to be ready to follow the New York lead.

When Basilio was asked if he had been approached about the $225,000 match, he said that all he knew about it was what he read in the papers.

Johnny De John and Joe Netro, co-managers of Basilio, protested that in so far as their man was concerned, nothing definite had been done in the direction of a fight with Robinson.

It developed that the $225,000 was being put up by Irving Kahn, head of Tele Promp Ter, which is in the business of telecasting fights through closed circuit, in theatres and movies.

All the time the IBC was trying to throw a monkey wrench into the Philadelphia business, and send Robinson and Basilio to Los Angeles, Ray still being averse to fighting in New York.

The word went out that since Robinson insisted that he get around $700,000, in round, and very round, numbers for his end, Basilio figured he was entitled to $375,000. Whew! How the boys were tossing those 20 cents dollars of 1959 around the arena!

The New York Commission then, too belatedly, got busy and began to look into the bona fides, or other status, of the Philadelphia gimmick, with Sam Rose as promoter.

Alfred Klein, of the Pennsylvania Commission, attended the New York meeting and said that Robinson had signed a formal contract for the September 21 fight.

Klein indicated that the Pennsylvania Commission was willing to accept this one signature pact as evidence that Robinson was defending his title against Basilio in Philadelphia.

There was a lot of conversation, and finally General Melvin Krulewitch, chairman of the New York Commission, called for a showdown on May 20.

LONDON'S LONG STAY ENCOURAGED JOHANSSON

Patterson's eleven round knockout success mere tuneup for fight with Swede

By **NAT FLEISCHER**

In the wackiest heavyweight championship fight on record, Brian London, sub-standard British challenger was knocked out by Floyd Patterson in 51 seconds of the eleventh round in the Indianapolis Fairgrounds Coliseum.

That the fight lasted so long was due to the defensive tactics of the Britisher. With hands held high and close to his face, he prevented the champion from breaking

through until he had weakened the visitor with a barrage of powerful body blows. These eventually forced Brian to bring down his guard and then came the blows to his jaw that brought success to Floyd in his fourth title defense.

Had not the Briton employed the peek-a-boo defense, he might have been put to sleep within six rounds. He displayed no fighting qualities other than durability, strength and a willingness to absorb punishment as long as his body could take it.

Despite his failure to toss effective punches at the champion, London surprised his severest critics by lasting as long as he did. For Patterson, it was a mere undistinguished "tune-up" for the contest with Ingemar Johansson in Yankee Stadium on June 25.

Brian proved little more than a sparring partner who, it is hoped, was getting the champion into condition for the tougher battle to come.

Patterson's delayed victory boosted the chances of Johansson, who was wildly cheered when introduced in the ring. The champion will require far more than he showed against London to retain his crown when he meets the Swede, whose stock went up spectacularly.

Johansson, discussing the fight while flying with the writer to New York, said that from what he had seen in Indianapolis, he was more confident than ever that he would be the next world champion.

"I have seen what I wanted to learn. I know now that I can beat Patterson," he declared. *"I don't think Patterson tried hard enough to knock out London. He saved his heavy punches for me. He was hiding his best tools for my fight."*

Patterson, answering critics who thought he didn't go all out for an early knockout, answered, *"I tried hard enough to get his hands down so that I could fire away at his jaw, but couldn't. He's strong and a tough man to down. I still wasn't at my best. I'd say I was much better than against Harris, but I'll be in prime condition when I face Johansson."*

D'Amato's choice of London as an opponent to sharpen Patterson for the June 25 fight worked out pretty well. The Britisher displayed no fear, stood his ground against a vicious body attack, took enough punishment around the mid-section to halt the average heavyweight and went well beyond the distance even most of the British writers, of whom there were many at the ringside, had figured he could go. Since Patterson had little to fear, he was able to practice bobbing and weaving, jabbing and using his body weapons and crouching.

London's use of the European style of blocking the face with both hands, used mostly by Continental fighters, also gave Floyd the opportunity to determine how to break up that defense. All-in-all, despite D'Amato's declaration after the bout that he didn't consider the fight a tune up any more than he regarded the Johansson bout in that category, the fact remains that it was classic.

Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson chops a hard right to the jaw of his uninteresting challenger, Brion London, of England. The term "tuneup" is a good one to describe the contest in which London resembled an animated punching bag.

After the "spectacular" D'Amato informed reporters that he plans two more title fights for Floyd, after June 25, so cocksure is he that Floyd will again retain his crown. Who the opponents will be, he refused to reveal. Harry Levine, London promoter, told the writer that he has Henry Cooper signed for one of them for September.

"I believe Floyd can lick any heavyweight," said Cus, *"and contrary to what the press so often has said by misunderstanding my statement when I signed London, I never regarded the fight as a tune up any more than I now consider Johansson a tune up.*

"The criticism of the press and the jeers after the champion had scored his knockout, were uncalled for.

"Floyd and I had hoped that London would press him, but Brian decided to make it a defensive battle. Therefore it was up to Floyd to work out an attack that would bring down Brian's guard to get shots at the jaw. This he did and I'm proud of his performance.

"I think London likewise did a good job. He gave the British Board of Control a good answer to the silly attitude it took when I signed Brian."

Against an opponent with a dangerous punch, such as Johansson has, Patterson would not have been able to take the liberties he did with the Blackpool Blackjack. If the strain that Johansson showed as an amateur, especially in Helsinki, has passed from his system, he should give Floyd an excellent, tough, grueling battle.

Floyd won't find him covering up without tossing punches. He'll retreat frequently as he has done in all of his fights, but only to keep his opponent off balance. Then he'll toss punches, unlike the champ's last opponent. That I predict since I've seen the Swede in action overseas.

The right-left combination that Floyd used many times against London, was what Johansson most admired in the champion. On our trip by plane back to New York, he said:

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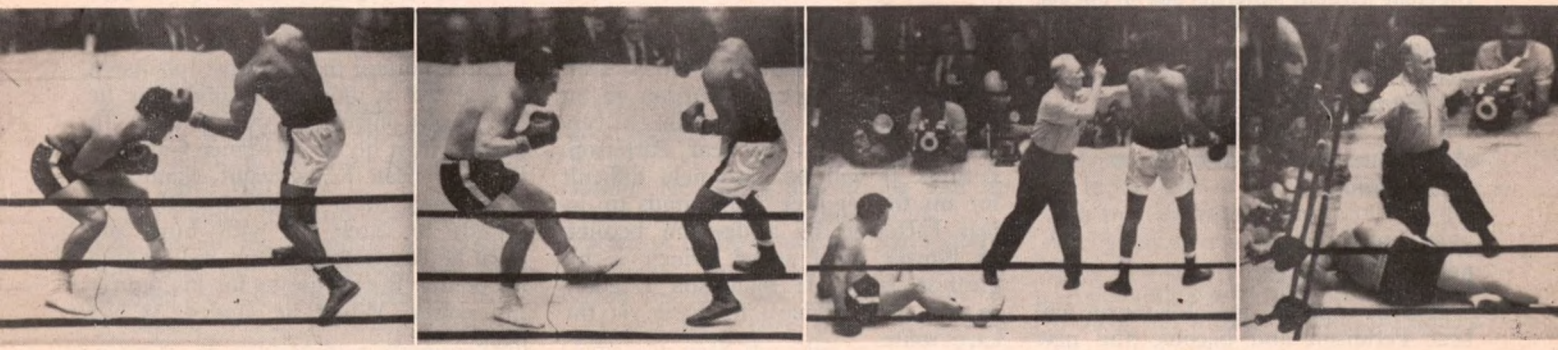

Left to right the knockout of challenger London by Patterson in the elev enth round. A delayed action left hook played finish to London's hopes. Referee Frank Sikora signals the kayo after completing the ten count ov er the prostrate London.

WHO WILL WIN?

LEADING WORLD BOXING AUTHORITIES AND PERSONALITIES ASKED THE BIG QUESTION ON THE BIG FIGHT

By JOHNNY SALAK

WHO do you think will win the Patterson-Johansson world heavyweight championship fight, scheduled for June 25, at Yankee Stadium, New York, and why?

This question was asked of some of the sport's foremost authorities and personalities, in an effort to give our readers expert opinions of what might happen the night of June 25.

These are some of the answers:

DAN PARKER, SPORTS EDITOR NEW YORK DAILY MIRROR AND SYNDICATED COLUMNIST:

The mere fact that Cus D'Amato has approved of Ingemar Johansson as a suitable opponent for Floyd Patterson is enough to convince me that Floyd will win by a knockout. Ingemar's American reputation is based on his quick knockout of Eddie Machen. If Archie McBride stayed 10 rounds with Ingemar without suffering any ill effects, I don't see any latent jeopardy for Patterson, who should be able to keep away from a right if he's one tenth the fighter D'Amato says he is.

I look for a knockout for Floyd in about nine, possibly after he has been decked himself.

JACK SOLOMONS, BRITISH PROMOTER:

It is my opinion that Johansson will beat Patterson and become the new heavyweight champion of the world and I do not think that the fight will go the full 15 rounds—I think Johansson will knock him out.

I have seen Patterson twice on film and I have seen Johansson box and having studied their styles, I have come to the conclusion that Johansson will win by a knockout. He has a much harder punch than Patterson, although he is probably not as fast, and he may even catch Patterson when the latter makes one of his famous leaping-from-the-floor jumps and that is exactly when I think the knockout will take place.

JACK DEMPSEY, FORMER WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION:

I think Patterson will win, probably by a knockout. But don't count Johansson out. He could do it. He's big, strong and willing.

TEDDY BRENNER, MADISON SQUARE GARDEN MATCHMAKER:

I have never seen Johansson in an actual fight, but it will take a very good heavyweight to beat Patterson. I think it will be extremely difficult for any fighter over 200 pounds to defeat Patterson by a decision because of Floyd's great speed, which is his greatest asset. If Johansson is going to win, he will have to do it via the kayo route.

GENE TUNNEY, FORMER WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION:

I am sorry I cannot answer your question as to who I think will win the contest between Patterson and Johansson for the world's heavyweight championship.

I have never seen Johansson in action . . . either over television or from the ringside . . . and, accordingly, have no way of evaluating his good and bad points.

However, Johansson has a good chance. Anything can happen in the ring and usually does.

HENRY COOPER, NO. 3 WORLD RANKING HEAVYWEIGHT CONTENDER:

Ingemar Johansson is a very dangerous puncher, one that can kayo a man with one punch. If he connects, I have no doubt that Floyd Patterson or anyone else will go. But Patterson is a great champion and he has never been off a tight rein yet, and he is sure to be a very elusive target for Johansson to catch.

An important thing against Johansson is that this is only the second time he has fought outside his own country. In his first fight he boxed Franco Cavicchi, the European heavyweight champion, at Bologna, Italy. It took him thirteen rounds to catch up with him, and until he connected, he was well behind on points. But it speaks for his punching power. When he landed, it was over.

CHAMPION

PATTERSON	JOHANSSON
Total Bouts 35	Total Bouts 21
Knockouts 25	Knockouts 13
Won Decisions 9	Won Decisions 7
Lost Decisions 1	Won on Foul 1

CHALLENGER

Taking all things into consideration I must go along with the champion.

Ed Note: Johansson fought outside of Sweden as an amateur, one bout being in America, knocking out Golden Gloves champion Ernie Fann in two rounds at Chicago in 1951. Also, as a professional he fought Gunter Nurnberg at Dortmund, Germany in 1955, scoring a seven rounds knockout.

BILL ROSENSOHN, BOXING PROMOTER:

As the promoter of the Patterson-Johansson fight, I don't think it would be appropriate for me to pick a winner. However, I can say that I believe the fight will be dramatic, tense and exciting. I can further state that it is my opinion it will end in a knockout. Having had the opportunity to see both men fight, I think it will be a most interesting contest because of the styles of the two men.

Johansson with his powerful right hand represents a real threat to take the crown back to Sweden. Patterson with his lightning speed and brilliant combinations should put the undefeated European challenger to his first serious test. I look for a "blood on the moon" struggle with the winner being recognized as a truly great fighter.

ABE J. GREENE, NATIONAL COMMISSIONER OF THE NATIONAL BOXING ASSOCIATION:

If Johansson is the solid-punch man his one-round knockout of Eddie Machen would seem to indicate, he could duplicate the stunt against champion Floyd Patterson.

But I doubt it. In my opinion, Patterson has all the elements of greatness but their full development has been stunted by his ring inactivity. He is a superb boxer, a canny craftsman capable of delivering a championship performance, and the kind to whom challenge inspires greatness.

I think Patterson will win decisively. Then I'd like to see him take on the field to prove his preeminence.

JACK (DOC) KEARNS, MANAGER OF JACK DEMPSEY AND OTHER WORLD CHAMPIONS:

Patterson is a great fighter. Disregarding differences of opinions, I think he is very well managed by Cus D'Amato. In every walk of life business or professional people have their own ways or ideas of doing things—of managing. Cus has his. And so far he has been very successful with Patterson as champion.

For Patterson it remains to be seen how great a heavyweight champion he proves himself. Experience and time alone are the answer to that. But in my book he is an all-around great fighter. He can box, can punch, has a good judge of speed and is a real game fellow.

The only thing we can go by on Johansson is his one round knockout of Machen. And in knocking out Machen he knocked out the No. One contender. So that alone should make him a great contender.

As for the fight, I naturally will go along with the champion. I've done pretty well with them.

LEW BURSTON, FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE OF MADISON SQUARE GARDEN:

Johansson comes to us with a very good reputation, but I am sorry to have to say that I have not seen him in action. He is big and strong and he seems to be very willing, but. . . . Patterson is the champion, and a pretty good one, and it looks as if he has speed and experience going for him.

I look for a close tough fight, with Patterson with the edge.

EDDIE MACHEN, NO. 1 RANKING HEAVYWEIGHT CONTENDER UNTIL KNOCKED OUT IN ONE ROUND BY INGEMAR JOHANSSON:

Ingemar Johansson will be running like a thief against Floyd Patterson, always looking to throw that one big punch. I think Patterson will win, but if Johansson gets to him, he could knock him out.

I doubt if he can get to him. Patterson is awfully fast. I was fighting straight up against Johansson and got hit with the right hand lead. Patterson is always moving and will be in a crouch.

But if Johansson nails him, they'll carry him out.

PETE RADEMACHER, WHO FOUGHT FOR THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP IN HIS FIRST PROFESSIONAL BOUT:

I look for Patterson to stop Johansson —but he will have to come off the deck to do it as in other title bouts.

The champion has a habit of facing his opponent squarely, rather than in the sideways, left-foot forward stance. By placing my left hand in Patterson's face I was able to partially "blind" him and score a knockdown with my right. I think Johansson can and will do the same.

But Patterson is too much fighter and should eventually get to his man and stop him.

ZORA FOLLEY, NO. 2 RANKING HEAVYWEIGHT CONTENDER:

I think Floyd Patterson will be the winner. I have high regard for Johansson too, as he stopped Eddie Machen in one round. But because of Patterson's terrific hand speed, and because he looks hard to tag, I'll have to stay with the champion, who in my opinion is as great as any to come along since Gene Tunney.

I certainly would like the opportunity to meet the winner, since I am ranked No. 2 at present.

By NAT LOUBET

Teddy Brenner
Madison Square Garden
Matchmaker

BRENNER FINALLY COMES TO ROOST IN GARDEN

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN in New York, has a new matchmaker. He is Teddy Brenner, a tall, broad shouldered athletic type with clean cut features and dark wavy hair with a touch of grey at his temples. His horn-rimmed glasses give him that "look of distinction".

At forty one, Brenner has achieved poise, a knack of being well-tailored in conservative attire.

He never has been one to be overly modest. The years have taken some of the sting out of his tongue, made him more tolerant of other peoples' views. This mellowness could serve him well in his new job where he will be dealing with people of all types around the globe.

This is a return engagement for Teddy who in 1950 was the Garden's asistant matchmaker under Al Weill, and the matchmaker for the St. Nicholas Arena, at that time, as it is once again, subsidized by the Garden. That Ted eventually would land in the big job in the Garden was inevitable.

How did Brenner get into boxing and what is his background?

It all started back in 1933 when Teddy, a basketball player at James Madison High School in Brooklyn, became friendly with a player on an opposing team. They'd been bunking heads all afternoon and evidently liked the feeling.

As will happen, when you bunk heads, Teddy and the other guy got to talking and this kid told Teddy he was going into the Golden Gloves. They must have crashed heads more than they realized because before the afternoon was over Teddy had agreed to act as his second.

The lad went up to the quarter-finals before losing out. Recalling those days Brenner toyed with his glasses.

"I didn't wear these then, but with or without them I didn't know a left hook from a hook shot."

SOLD SHIRTS BUT BOXING CAME FIRST

It was during this period that Brenner made friends with a lingerie shop owner, Irving Cohen, who later became a top boxing manager, best remembered for his piloting of Rocky Graziano to the middleweight crown.

The relationship continues with Cohen taking over from Brenner the St. Nicholas Arena, from which Teddy moved into the Garden.

Before getting firmly enmeshed in boxing Brenner became a shirt salesman and was to be found spending most of his free time running errands for Cohen, or hanging around Stillman's gymnasium.

The big war came and Brenner enlisted in the Seabees, with whom he served from 1942 to 1945 in the Pacific Theatre.

Back from the war Teddy looked up his old pal Cohen. By this time Irving was not only doing well with Graziano, but he was also matchmaking at the Highland Park Arena in New Brunswick, N. J.

As the duties of handling Graziano increased, Cohen decided to step out as a matchmaker. He turned the job over to Teddy. This was his first venture into matchmaking on an official basis.

According to Irving, Teddy was in it a long time before. *"He was always telling me what to do, and most of his ideas were good, so I figured why not make it official."*

BRENNER EARLY SHOWED FLAIR FOR GATE SUCCESS

It was at this time that Brenner began to show his alertness and use a quick tongue. After the announcement of his getting the Highland Park job Teddy heard an oldtimer remark: *"What does he know about boxing? A Johnny-come-lately. . . . he's only a shirt salesman."*

Teddy, rarely at loss for words, snapped back: *"So was Harry Truman."*

The job done by Brenner was so well thought of that he landed in the Coney Island Valdrome. From there he was promoted to the St. Nicholas Arena when Mike Jacobs, Garden promoter, got sick. Chickie Bogad was the Garden matchmaker at this time.

Brenner proved that he was a comer. Sixteen of his fights grossed over $10,000 each, and thirteen main event fighters were graduated to main status in the Garden.

When Al Weill served the Garden as matchmaker, Teddy was responsible for making the prelims in addition to arranging the card at St. Nicholas.

An altercation between Teddy and Weill broke up the combination and Brenner took a sabbatical from boxing. He sold structural steel but all the time he was waiting for a chance to get back into the fight game.

In April, 1952, Emil Lence, a dress manufacturer turned boxing promoter, offered Teddy the job of making up three shows for his Eastern Parkway Arena in Brooklyn. The first was Georgie Small against Jimmy Herring. The second fight began to establish Eastern Parkway as "the House of Upsets."

The bout featured Walter Cartier, a highly regarded middleweight, and Carl "Bobo" Olson, making his Eastern debut as a 2 to 1 underdog. Olson stopped Cartier, and Brenner was on his way.

BRENNER GAVE PATTERSON HIS FIRST OPPORTUNITIES

It was here that Brenner developed many top attractions later used over television by other organizations. Floyd Patterson is an outstanding example. "Hurricane" Jackson was another to get his start there. Carmelo Costa, Gene Fullmer, and Pierre Langlois also started in the Eastern Parkway Arena.

In addition, Brenner brought in many fellows like Garth Panter, never destined to become champions but who gave a lot of action to the ring.

Asked about his formula as a matchmaker, Brenner replied: *"There's no point in making bouts merely between names. When I make up a show I sit back and become just another fan. I decide whom I would like to fight whom, and then I look at the match objectively as to their styles and weights. If the picture I get is a good one, I go ahead."*

Another Brenner maxim is: *"In this age of television a bout that would be good box office is sure to be good as a television attraction."*

En route to his present position with the Garden, Brenner, after leaving Eastern Parkway, moved into St. Nicholas Arena with a Dumont contract in his pocket. As a promoter, matchmaker and jack of all trades he was successful at St. Nicholas, but almost lost his ship when he lost television.

Manifesting the same ingenuity that characterized his earlier efforts, he pulled the stops out and managed to get a helping hand from various sources that would enable him to keep his club alive.

This takes him up to his return to the Garden. It will be interesting to see how Brenner will make out in the job he had coveted for years.

"NEVER WORRY ABOUT FILLING YOUR CARDS"

Brenner balks at one of the trades notions that *"a matchmaker cannot break in fighters never seen on television because the public won't watch somebody it doesn't know."*

"In these days of shortage of talent," says Brenner, *"the only way that a matchmaker can supply the public with good shows on a steady diet is by breaking in sufficient new faces to fill up the requirements. . . .*

"For example, who was Johnny Busso before he licked Orlando Zulueta?"

In 1957 Teddy made the statement, *"If I had the money to work with what the IBC has, I wouldn't have to worry about filling top shows. There are plenty of fighters all over the country waiting to break into the big time."*

Brenner is a proud man and he brings to his new job the will to perform the Herculean task so necessary if he is to rebuild the Garden into the world's boxing center.

Teddy, who lives in Brooklyn, has a good reason for his pride and the drive that motivates him is sound. He is married to the former Judy Galfunt, who was the belle of her section before Ted talked her into a merger. They have two children and Teddy is getting ready to send his elder boy to college. He has a lot at home to make good for.

LOSE IN GARDEN AND YOU DON'T COME BACK

In replacing matchmaker Jack Barrett, Brenner said. *"All my life the Garden was the place to fight, the mecca of boxing—and I can see no reason why it can't regain its former prestige."*

An interesting sidelight on Garden policy in the past few years has been the ability of fighters who lost contests to obtain further matches in the Garden. The word around the cauliflower beat was: *"So you want to get a fight in the Garden. . . .? Lose a couple of fights and you're a shoo in."*

Teddy says *"My policy will be to put deserving fighters in the ring. Only winners will get return bouts.*

"This doesn't mean that I will never use a man who loses but he will have to get out and win back the right to fight in the Garden again."

We recall a dream fight envisioned by Brenner in the fall of 1951. *"What's wrong with Robinson fighting Joey Maxim for the light heavyweight title?"*

The remark wasn't a question but a serious statement by Teddy who is more than sure about everything and is usually right.

The proposal brought laughter from all and wasn't seriously considered at the time. A few months later the idea took hold and on June 25th the fight that was called impossible was held with Robinson being unable to continue, ending in the fourteenth round with Robby sitting in his

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING MAY 20th.

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
FLOYD PATTERSON, Rockville Center, N. Y.

1—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
2—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
3—**HENRY COOPER,** England
4—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
6—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
7—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** Miami, Fla.
8—**CHARLIE POWELL,** San Diego, Calif.
9—**JOE ERSKINE,** Wales
10—**BRIAN LONDON,** England

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Syracuse, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**SPIDER WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
4—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
5—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
7—**GENE ARMSTRONG,** Elizabeth, N. J.
8—**PAUL PENDER,** Boston, Mass.
9—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
10—**RALPH (Tiger) JONES,** Yonkers, N. Y.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
2—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
3—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
4—**JOHNNY GONSALVES,** Oakland, Calif.
5—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.
6—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
7—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
8—**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9—**GUY GRACIA,** France
10—**MAURO VAZQUEZ,** Mexico

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
2—**JOE BECERRA,** Mexico
3—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
4—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
5—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
6—**MANUEL ARMENTEROS,** Mexico
7—**DANNY KID,** Philippines
8—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
9—**ERNESTO MIRANDA,** Argentina
10—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
3—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
4—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**SONNY RAY,** Chicago, Ill.
6—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
7—**JOHNNY HALAFAHI,** Tonga
8—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.
9—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
10—**JERRY LUEDEE,** New Haven, Conn.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DON JORDAN, Los Angeles, Calif.

1—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
2—**SUGAR HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3—**DEL FLANAGAN,** St. Paul, Minn.
4—**DENNY MOYER,** Portland, Oregon
5—**CHARLEY SCOTT,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
7—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
8—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
9—**RUDELL STITCH,** Louisville, Ky.
10—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, O.

1—**HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY,** Nigeria
2—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
3—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
4—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Tex.
5—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
6—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
7—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
8—**HAROLD GOMES,** Providence, R. I.
9—**VICTOR (Sonny) LEON,** Venezuela
10—**MANOLO GARCIA,** Spain

FLYWEILGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
2—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
3—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
4—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
5—**MINUM BEN ALI,** Spain
6—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
7—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
8—**MARIO DeLEON,** Mexico
9—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
10—**CARLOS MIRANDA,** Argentina

Floyd Patterson
Fighter of the Month

World heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson punched his way into the "Fighter of the Month Award", by knocking out his British challenger, Brion London in the eleventh round.

The top men among the heavyweights were inactive during the month and the only changes have been the fall of Brion London from eighth to tenth, with Charley Powell, Californian, and Joe Erskine, Englishmen, each upped one notch to eighth and ninth respectively.

The Ring's international light heavyweight ratings are status quo as compared with last month.

Hottest news is the Sugar Ray Robinson situation in which Robbie has already had his middleweight crown vacated by the National Boxing Association and the squeeze put on him by the New York State Athletic Commission. Despite these actions The Ring Magazine maintains that a champion can normally lose his title only in the ring and this organization continues to recognize Robinson as king of the middleweights.

This is subject to review.

The main change among the middleweights was the movement up the ladder of Joey Giardello due to his win over Holly Mims, from seventh to fifth with Mims dropped from fifth to sixth. Ralph Tiger Jones fell from sixth to tenth with Joey Giambra entering in ninth spot.

Vince Martinez, one-time leading contender from Paterson, New Jersey, has been removed from the ratings because of inactivity. Rudell Stitch, of Louisville, Kentucky, has climbed into the welters in ninth position as a result of his win over Gasper Ortega. Ortega slipped from fifth to eighth. Denny Moyer moved up from sixth to fourth, Charley Scott from seventh to fifth and Duilio Loi eighth to seventh. Ralph Dupas dropped from fourth to sixth.

Among the lightweights Guy Garcia, Frenchman, by virtue of his draw with Spider Kelly, has fallen from seventh to ninth. Willie Toweel lost to Dave Charnley and dropped from fourth to seventh with Charnley moved to sixth from tenth.

Featherweight Ike Chestnut slid another notch from sixth to seventh due to his loss to unrated Ernesto Figueroa and Sergio Caprari of Italy, was upped from seventh to sixth.

Leo Espinosa, Philippines, was upset by oft rated Flyweight Ramon Calatayud. Espinosa fell from second to fourth among the bantamweights. Joe Beccerra, Mexican, continues to climb with his kayo over Billy Peacock from third to second and Jose Lopez from fourth to third. Al Asuncion was knocked out by champ Alphonse Halimi and fell from sixth to eighth with Manuel Armenteros of Cuba upped to sixth from eighth.

Ramon Calatayud is back in the flyweight ratings with his win over Espinosa and is rated sixth. Horacio Accavallo of the Argentine, was dropped to make room for the Venezuelan. Other changes saw Young Martin, Mario De Leon, Joe Medel and Carlos Miranda each down one peg to seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth respectively.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

World Champion Floyd Patterson retained title by kayoing Brian London, 11. Pat McMurtry outpointed Garvin Sawyer, 10.

Nino Valdes halted Dan Hodge, 8. Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson kayoed Solomon McTier, 9. Robert Duquesne stopped Robert Eugene, 7. Bert Whitehurst and Ulli Ritter drew, 10. Buddy Turman kayoed Bob Albright, 10. Sifa Kivalu drew with Torner Ahsman, 10, but was stopped by Ilkka Koski, 4.

South African Champion Gawie de Klerk polished off Bonino Allevi, 7, and retained his title by kayoing Jan Scheepers, 1. George Logan whipped Jackie Torme, 10. Johnny Riggins whipped Jake Williams, 10. Hans Kalbfell acquired German title by stopping Albert Westphal, 10. Giacomo Bozzano outfought Joe Bygraves, 10.

PROSPECTS OF THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Freddie Blades, Miami, Fla.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—Plinio Scarabellin, Italy
MIDDLEWEIGHT—John Smith, Los Angeles, Calif.
WELTERWEIGHT—Bobby Bartels, New York, N. Y.
LIGHTWEIGHT—Sid Adams, Phladelpha, Pa.
FEATHERWEIGHT—Jim Pettaway, Toledo, O.
BANTAMWEIGHT—Jorge Nunez, Cuba
FLYWEIGHT—Jackie Brown, England

Don Warner kayoed Sam Edwards, 2. Wayne Womochil lost to light heavy Tommy Sims, 10. Jose Georgetti kayoed Roberto Del Blanco, 4. Rufus Handsome beat Earl Atley, 6. Cuevas II kayoed Catarino Guerrero, 7. Floyd Joyner kayoed Rusty Perkins, 3. Dave Shoulders kayoed Jimmy O'Connell, 3.

Jimmy McCarter halted Bob Mumford, 4. Tom McNeely kayoed Leo Pinto, 2, and Charlie Lopes, 2. Roy Smith beat Kenny Hayden, 6, (twice) and drew with Andy Issac, 6. Curley Lee kayoed Joe Sullivan, 3.

Paul Wright kayoed Larry Brown, 3. Abe Davis kayoed Billy Lambert, 3. Ray Lopez bested Pablo Valderrain, 6. Eddie Jackson kayoed Jimmy Harryman, 3.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

South African Champion Mike Holt outfought Dominico Bacheschi, 10, and edged out Don Fleeman, 10. Jesse Bowdry kayoed Lou Bailey, 5. Chic Calderwood kayoed Charley Forest, 7. Roque Maravilla kayoed Ted Martin, 4. Dogomar Martinez regained the South American title outpointing Luis Ignacio, 15. Warnell Lester beat Dave Bailey, 10, and Young Beau Jack, 10.

Artenio Calazavara lost to European middleweight Champion Gustav Scholz, 10. Billy Ryan and Bob Young drew, 10. Kid Sixto Rodriguez whipped Junius Washington, 10. Lennart Risberg stopped Harry Dodoo, 2. Donnie Ward defeated Charley Pavlis, 8.

Al Sparks decisioned George Jarosch, 8. Matt Plachy kayoed Ralph Lucas, 2. Cuban champion Julio Carreras stopped Andy Mayfield, 4. Aurelio Diaz and Carlos Paiva drew, 10.

Don Prout kayoed Paul Rossi, 4, and Johnny Fratius, 8. Tommy Sims outscored heavyweight Wayne Womochil, 10. Cardell Farmos kayoed Sal Cantino, 3, and beat Young Beau Jack, 6.

Antonio Diaz drew with Justo Benitez, 10. Paul Wright beat Eddie Vick, 6. Bob McKinney kayoed Dennis Duane, 2. Ray Augustus defeated Benny Mason, 6.

Jim Boyd and Clay Thomas drew, 6. Kirk Barrow won from Puggy Jones, 6. Paul Roux outpointed Pedro Klyssen, 10.

Cleo Frazier kayoed Al Gomez, 1. Joe Gomes whipped Tony Bell, 8. Bobby Daniels defeated Willie Washington, 6.

Joe Byron stopped Howard Lee, 4. Sammy Jordan kayoed George Bermudez, 3. Pekka Kokkonen outfought Sam Langford, 10. Bartolo Soni and Ray Batey drew, 6. British Empire Champ Yvon Durelle kayoed Teddy Burns, 3.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

European champion Gustav Scholz whipped light heavy Artenio Calazavara, 10. Spider Webb halted Neal Rivers, 4. Joey Giardello outscored Holly Mims, 10. Yama Bahama outscored Phil Moyer, 10 Chico Vejar defeated Joe DeNucci, 9.

Australian Champion Clive Stewart outpointed Freddie Cross, 12. Andres Selpa kayoed Aldo Nelson Garcia, 1. Eddie Thompson defeated Benny Paret, 10. Willie Dockery defeated Bobby Gordon, 10. Paul Diaz outpointed Art Glass, 10. Hichiro Tatsumi beat Yoshimi Matsutani, 10.

Victor Zalazar upset Wilf Greaves, 10. Jose Torres stopped Joe Shaw, 5. Willie Green kayoed Charley Davis, 3. Claude Negrel halted Richard Bouchez, 7. Woody Winslow and Dave Johnson drew, 10. Cesar Pereyra drew with Felipe Cambeiro, 10.

Sal Fuentes stopped Vicente Reyes, 8. Evelio Rios won from Emilio Marron, 8. Blair Richardson stopped Roy Steele, 7. Leon Stewart stopped Jose Edwin, 1. Willie Moon stopped Al Lortez, 2. Joe Cancio beat Ernie Davis, 10, and Francisco Castro, 10.

Bobby Brown defeated Jimmy Walters, 8. Bill Pickett outboxed Cleve Zanda, 6, and kayoed Marcel Piau, 4. Bobby Barnes stopped Roy Turner, 5. Rinzi Nocero kayoed Rusty Smith, 3. Jimmy Hopkins won from Joe Washington, 8.

Gene Turley kayoed John Handley, 2, but was stopped by Thurman Stevens, 7. Ted Meeks kayoed Jimmy Fields, 1. John Mastrangelo and Goldie Gomes, drew, 5. Roy Copeland drew with Walter Moerbe, 6. British Empire Champ Dick Tiger defeated Randy Sandy.

Jerry Hunnicott bested Chico Cirino, 6, and Milton Jones, 8. Tommy Della Rocca and Jimmy Landeron drew, 6. Denny Goslow beat Sandy Chani, 6. Jesse Smith won over Eddie Sims, 5.

Leon Welsh outfought Lee Ballard, 6. Al Milone defeated Angelo Allegue, 6. John MacNeil kayoed Noel Morais, 2.

WELTERWEIGHTS

World Champion Don Jordan retained his title outpointing Virgil Akins, 15. Garnet (Sugar) Hart kayoed Willie (Kid) Johnson, 1. Del Flanagan outboxed Jimmy Martinez, 10. Rudell Stitch outscored Gaspar Ortega, 10.

Luis Rodriguez kayoed Cecil Shorts, 9. Orient Middleweight champion Dawthong Sinphanlok kayoed Teddy Alama, 4. Tony DeMarco whipped Eddie Connors, 10. Joe Miceli outscored Art Aragon, 10. Roy Sparks beat Roy Copeland, 10. Billy Lynch stopped Jimmy Peters, 3. Frankie Belma decisioned Kid Rayo, 10.

Charley Scott edged out Ralph Dupas, 10. Art Aragon kayoed Bob Torrance, 2. Orient champion Kenji Fukuchi retained title by kayoing Steve Tony, 1. Al Malone upset Ludwig Lightburn, 10.

Willie Morton outpointed Chuck Taylor, 10. Stan Harrington defeated Alvaro Gutierrez, 10. Adalberto Ochoa kayoed Miguel Castro, 5. Charley Sawyer whipped Gerald Gray, 10. Jorge Fernandez kayoed Alberto Serantes, 3. Angel Ahumada, 7. Orlando Astorga, 2. Emile Griffith decisioned Mel Barker, 10. Federico Thompson kayoed Juan Zalazar, 6, beat Francisco Sotelo, 10.

Kid Fichique kayoed Alberto Bisbe, 6. Stefan Redl outscored Roger Harvey, 10. Rocky Kalingo defeated Alfredo Cota, 10. Eddie Jordan outboxed Bill Flamio, 10. Federico Guerra whipped Ricardo Jofre, 10.

Jacques Herbillon retained French title by drawing with Michel Lombardet, 15. Enrique Esqueda kayoed Gilberto Holguin, 4. Pancho Kid defeated Raul Anchondo, 10. Glen Burgess kayoed John Milton, 8.

Carl Hubbard stopped Gene Tippett, 7. Lyle Mackin halted Julian Valdez, 3.

Paulino Montes drew with Tony Lopez Smith, 10. Ray Terrazas kayoed Dick Kirby, 2. Eddie Rivera kayoed Carlos Silva, 7. Manuel

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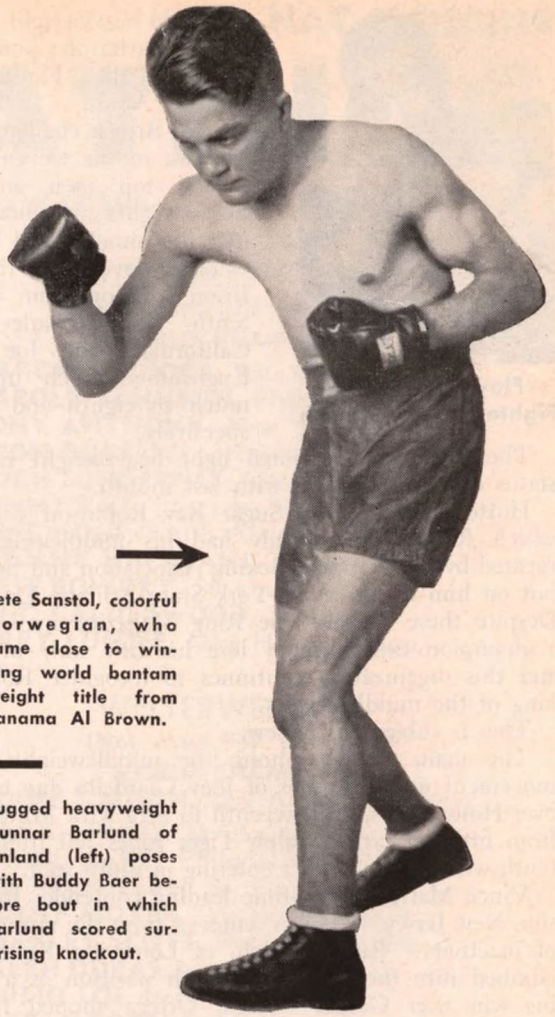
VIKINGS OF THE RING

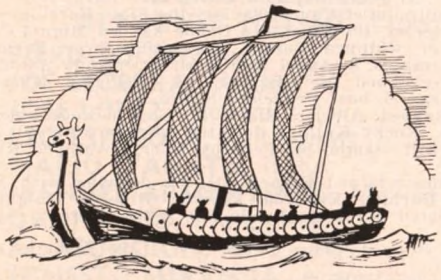


Pete Sanstol, colorful Norwegian, who came close to winning world bantam weight title from Panama Al Brown.

Rugged heavyweight Gunnar Barlund of Finland (left) poses with Buddy Baer before bout in which Barlund scored surprising knockout.

By JERSEY JONES

Johansson First Scandinavian Since Sanstol to Fight for World Title



IN one respect, Ingemar Johansson is a unique personality in this fist-fighting industry.

He is the first Swede to compete for the world heavyweight championship and only the second born-and-bred Scandinavian ever to battle for the top honors in any of boxing's eight weight classes.

The first was Pete Sanstol of Norway, who came close, but not quite close enough, to relieving Panama Al Brown of the bantamweight title in a rugged 15-rounder in Montreal in 1931.

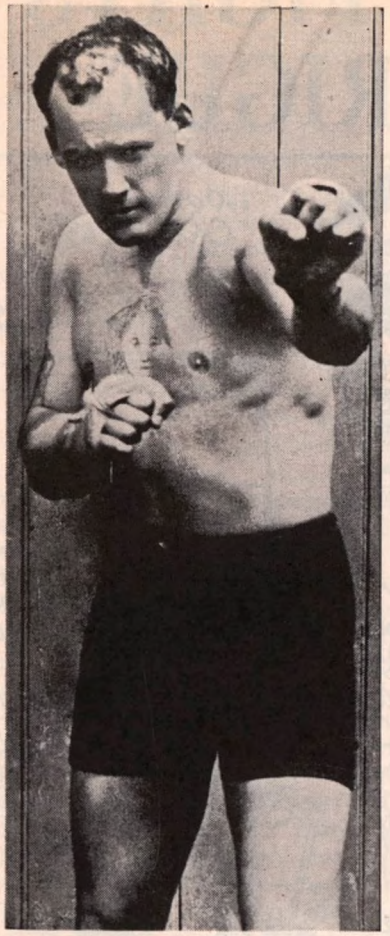
Two of the ring's most illustrious champions—lightweight Battling Nelson and bantamweight Kid Williams—were born in Denmark but reared in the United States and their fighting careers were thoroughly American.

Outstanding native ringmen among the Swedes, Norwegians, Danes and Finns have been comparatively scarce. One explanation is that, psychologically, they are unsuited for the bruising business of legalized assault and battery. By nature, the average Scandinavian is a genial, easy-going sort, and dislikes physical violence. He prefers less boisterous athletic efforts such as skiing, soccer football, ice skating and track-and-field events. It is only on rare occasions that he permits himself to become excited over boxing, but when he does he can be relied upon for enthusiastic cooperation, as in the case of Johansson, whose bout with Eddie Machen last year attracted a turnout of 55,000 and gross receipts of $280,000 to the spacious Ullevi Stadium in Gothenburg.

ENTHUSIASM UNLIMITED.

We recall, back in the mid-20s, when the same sort of home land enthusiasm currently inspired by Johansson was aroused by Harry Persson, the first Swedish heavyweight to attain international prominence.

Persson, a rangy, raw-boned individual measuring 6 feet, 2 inches



Harry Persson, first prominent Swedish heavyweight to invade United States, petered out after getting off to an impressive beginning.

Danish born but American reared, Kid Williams became world bantam champion. Here is seen (right) squaring off with featherweight king Johnny Kilbane before their battle of champions in Philadelphia in 1915.

in altitude, and scaling in the vicinity of 200 pounds, had done an impressive job of mopping up most of Europe's leading big 'uns, and when he flattened Phil Scott in London he headed for the United States.

Persson's American debut was in Madison Square Garden, and his opponent was rough and tumble Johnny Risko, a rugged test for any heavyweight in those days.

There were no local Swedish newspaper representatives in New York at the time and this reporter was requested by the "*Svenska Dagbladet*", one of Stockholm's largest dailies, to cable a ringside round-by-round account of the match.

When a copy of the next day's "*Dagbladet*" reached New York, we were amazed not only to learn that the fight had been headline news, spread across the first page, but an accompanying photograph of the milling mob outside the newspaper's building indicated that thousands of natives had waited up all night for the result. (With a six-hours' time difference between Stockholm and New York, it was about 5:00 a.m. when the news of Persson's victory reached the Swedish capital.)

When Persson followed his triumph over Risko with a decision over Carl Carter in New York, then a knockout over Jack Adams in Philadelphia, the enthusiasm of the Swedes expanded into near-hysteria, but any visions they may have of their idol becoming heavyweight champion of the world were rudely exploded when Harry was beaten in his next three starts. After losing on a disqualification to Bud Gorman in New York, Persson was outpointed by Pat McCarthy in Hartford and Jim Maloney in New York, after which he ruefully packed his luggage and returned home.

VON PORAT BEST HEAVY.

Through the years Americans have had quite a few peeks at Scandinavian visitors, particularly heavyweights. Among the big fellows who've campaigned in the United States with varying degrees of success have been Otto von Porat and Harry Berntsen of Norway, Gunnar Barlund of Finland and Arne Anderson and Olle Tandberg of Sweden. (Knute Hanson was billed out of Denmark, but Knute, of Danish-extraction, was actually born in Wisconsin.)

Probably the best of the heavyweights from the northernmost regions of the European continent was von Porat, a rangy boxer and dangerous puncher. Turning professional after winning the Olympic title in 1924, von Porat invaded the United States two years later, established his headquarters in Chicago, and compiled a fine record during his six-years' stay here. He lost only eight of his fifty-eight outings, and twenty-four of his triumphs were by knockouts. His main achievements were knockouts of Jack Gagnon, Ted Sandwina, Jack De Mave, Emmett Rocco, K.O. Christner, Battling Levinsky, Walter Cobb and Tuffy Griffith, and decisions over King Solomon, Jack Renault, Tom Heeney and Marty Gallagher. The Norseman lost and won in two meetings with Johnny Risko but was outpointed by Jack Dorval and Paulino Uzcudun and stopped by Martin Burke and Billy (Young) Stribling.

Barlund was a strong, durable sort, and became a busy journeyman in American rings during the late '30s. He tangled with most of the leading heavyweights and won more often than he lost. His most notable triumph was a surprising knockout of Max Baer's younger but bigger brother, Buddy, in Madison Square Garden.

Anderson, who operated out of Minneapolis, and Berntsen, who did most of his fighting in Brooklyn, never advanced beyond the limits of the small-club circuits. They were strong, willing sluggers and stiff punchers, but too slow and crude for major competition. Both, incidentally, met with tragic endings. Anderson failed to recover consciousness after being knocked out by Lou Thomas in Chicago in 1941, and Berntsen, working aboard a ship in a Brooklyn yard, was killed when he fell into an open hatch a few years ago.

HANSEN AND TANDBERG.

The biggest disappointment suffered by Scandinavians was Knute Hansen.

Hansen, a beautifully built blond giant, measuring 6 feet, 4 inches and scaling around 208 pounds, seemed to have all the qualifications

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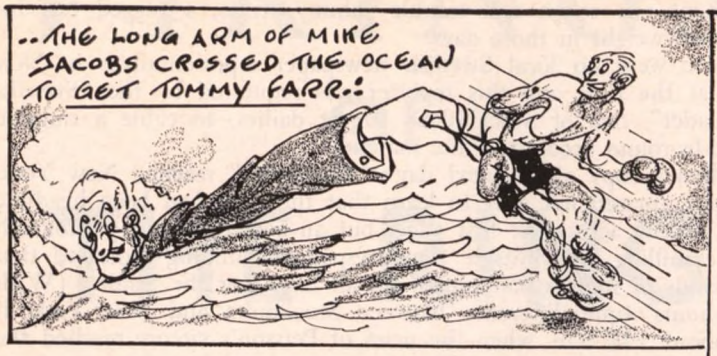
INTERNATIONAL FIGHTS DRIP WITH INTRIGUE



By TED CARROLL

NO one expects international politics to be free of Machiavellian manuevering, endless intrigue and back door diplomacy. Therefore it comes as no surprise when this condition carries over into international pugilistics.

This situation may account for the strong preference shown thus far by cautious Cus D'Amato, manager of World's Heavyweight Champion Floyd Patterson, for international pairups. In a setting of secret agreements and foreign entanglements, D'Amato, who seems to have a strong "Cloak-and-Dagger" complex has made his fighter's engagements with England's Brian London and Sweden's Ingemar Johannsson all time models of intricate manipulation.

The mere announcement of the London fight date coming

so soon before the Johansson date was of itself startling enough. But this was only an appetizer for the fantastic fare cooked up by all concerned during the weeks following.

These shockers ranged from a complete disavowal of the whole business by the British Board of Boxing Control, visa troubles overseas by London, the virtual smuggling of the challenger into the States, where he was tucked away in, of all places, a gymnasium run by the champion's manager, the sudden shift of the bout from Las Vegas to Indianapolis, and topping everything, the unmasking of Harvard bred "amateur" promoter Cecil Rhodes as being professional enough to emerge from the whole deal $55,000 richer.

In the past there have been cases of fighters being paid for "not fighting" but Rhodes goes down in history as the only example of a promoter being paid for "not promoting".

Young Bill Rosensohn, with hopes born of desperation, that his own Patterson-Johansson extravaganza wouldn't

become washed away in the whirlpool of wackiness that swirled about the entire proceedings, was finally drafted as promoter of record by D'Amato.

D'AMATO GOES IN FOR LONG DISCARDED METHODS

Actually, the London-Patterson affair merely followed the pattern set in the Patterson-Johansson negotiations, in which place and date announcements were handled as they used to be in the bareknuckle days when boxing was frowned upon by the constabulary. Information was withheld until the very day of the fight, when a barge in mid-river would turn out to be the site.

In his earlier trips over here Johansson was kept as secluded from prying reporters as a fighting rooster from the authorities. Patterson's whereabouts also remained a mystery until it became almost impossible to keep him hidden any longer.

D'Amato's recurring disappearances and reappearances became so confusing that it was said Cus had reached the stage where he was trying to hide from himself.

Still, in all fairness to him, Cus is not the first to keep a challenger for the heavyweight title under cover. He had precedent in the first big money international match ever held in this country, the Dempsey-Carpentier fight way back in 1921. When the welcoming delegates at the dock got a look at the slightly built Frenchman, and discovered he was only an overgrown middleweight, they straightaway bundled him off to a Long Island retreat.

They hung out the "No Visitors" sign, circled the spot with a high wire fence plus watchdogs, and announced that the European challenger's training would be done in secret. This was a wise move, the public never got a good pre-fight look at "Gorgeous Georges" who was a fine fighter for his pounds but much too small for the tigerish Dempsey.

It wasn't necessary to hide the next Continental challenger for the championship, Max Schmeling, but during his stay in this country the German was never free of managerial mixups and complications. They started right after he landed here back in 1928. The word was out that the job of American representative for him was up for grabs. Max and his German manager, Von Bulow found themselves the hub of a maelstrom of machinations by stateside operators.

FLEISCHER FIRST IN LINE BUT PASSED IT UP

Included in this coterie of eligibles, were our own Ring Editor, Nat Fleischer, who had gotten in on the ground floor overseas, and still has a contract on the German in his files, although he never pressed his advantage.

At Pete Reilly's suggestion, his French featherweight champion, Andre Routis, reached the German's ear in a Summit, N. J. training Camp and put in a pitch for Mr. Reilly.

Joe Jacobs and Billy M'Carney took off after Schmeling with a vengeance, Jimmy Johnston made overtures and promoter Jack Fugazy, then giving the Garden stern competition, also got into the act. When the smoke cleared, Bulow, his position considerably shaken by all these pressures, was still around, and Broadway's Charley Rose, a dark horse in the running, had his name on the contract for a percentage.

Shrewd Joe Jacobs and partner Billy M'Carney were not the ones to give up easily. Jacobs had few equals in gaining his ends regardless of means and by the time the German became champion, the scheming New Yorker was in the driver's seat numbering partner M'Carney as well as German Bulow among the casualties in the struggle.

Jacobs involved himself and the German in a most perplexing position, due to the rise of the Nazi regime. Their connection kicked up conniptions on both sides of the Atlantic, once again highlighting the complexities of international operations in boxing. The whole thing was climaxed when little Joe in a most unenviable position, discreetly followed suit with the Nazi salute in a Berlin ring following a Schmeling triumph.

Lambasted over here for this act of treason, Jacobs got caught in the middle when a sharp-eyed German reporter noted that he had held a lighted cigar in his hand while making the gesture. Over here Jacobs pointed to the cigar as hexing the tribute, over there he called it merely an over sight.

CARNERA ALSO KICKED UP LOTS OF COMPLICATIONS

When Italy's Primo Carnera showed up in the states, Leon See, the canny Frenchman had him in tow with eccentric American globe trotter Walter "Good Time Charley" Friedman tagging along. Friedman's American connections included Bill Duffy, Broadway and night club figure, of much potency at the time. Duffy eventually assumed command of the Italian Gargantua's career in this country, but See couldn't be shaken off. When Carnera's finances became hopelessly involved, an accountant, Louis Soresi, popped into the picture and remained there until the big fellow called it quits.

England's Tommy Farr, back in 1937, was practically shanghaied out of the clutches of overseas promoters who had taken steps to match the tough Welshman with Schmeling in London, with the winner to receive recognition as heavyweight champion over Joe Louis in whose behalf Schmeling had been sidetracked by Braddock.

Farr was inveigled into foregoing a fight with Schmeling in favor of a crack at Louis by Mike Jacobs' emissaries speedily dispatched overseas for this purpose. Farr came over, and despite a training period more devoted to intra-camp feuding than preparation, gave a sturdy account of himself.

By the time Farr concluded his American campaign, his original manager, Teddy Broadribb, was out of the picture and Joe Gould, manager of erstwhile foe, Jim Braddock, was in charge.

Eighteen years were to ensue before another European fighter gave the heavyweight title an international tinge. Given little chance against blockbusting Rocky Marciano, British Champion Don Cockell nonetheless acquitted himself with courage against the iron fisted American, by lasting an unlooked for nine rounds.

As an aftermath of this match, held in San Francisco on May 16, 1955, British correspondents were left with an impression best voiced by their eminent sports writer Peter Wilson, *"Marciano outside the ring is decidedly different from Marciano inside of it. He is a most polite fellow on the outside, but within the ropes I must say he is a bit rough."*

This opinion was seconded by statesiders, most of whom felt Marciano was well equipped to handle Cockell without resorting to such advantages as hitting the Britisher while he was still on one knee, as clearly brought out by pictures of the bout.

Experience has shown that controversy immerses international heavyweight contests. Heads still shake whenever the Carnera-Sharkey fight in 1934 in which the Italian giant won the title is recalled.

Schmeling won his title on a foul against Sharkey in a ruckus raising finale, lost it on a highly disputable decision, yelled "Kidney punch" when he attempted to regain it against Louis in 1938.

Johansson will be the first Scandinavian to fight for the big title. Norway's Otto Von Porat, Sweden's Harry Perrson, Denmark's Knute Hansen, and Finland's Gunnar Barlund never received this opportunity.

Don Jordan Successful In Defense Of His Crown

Former Welterweight Champion Virgil Akins Was Outclassed In Title Duel

By NAT FLEISCHER

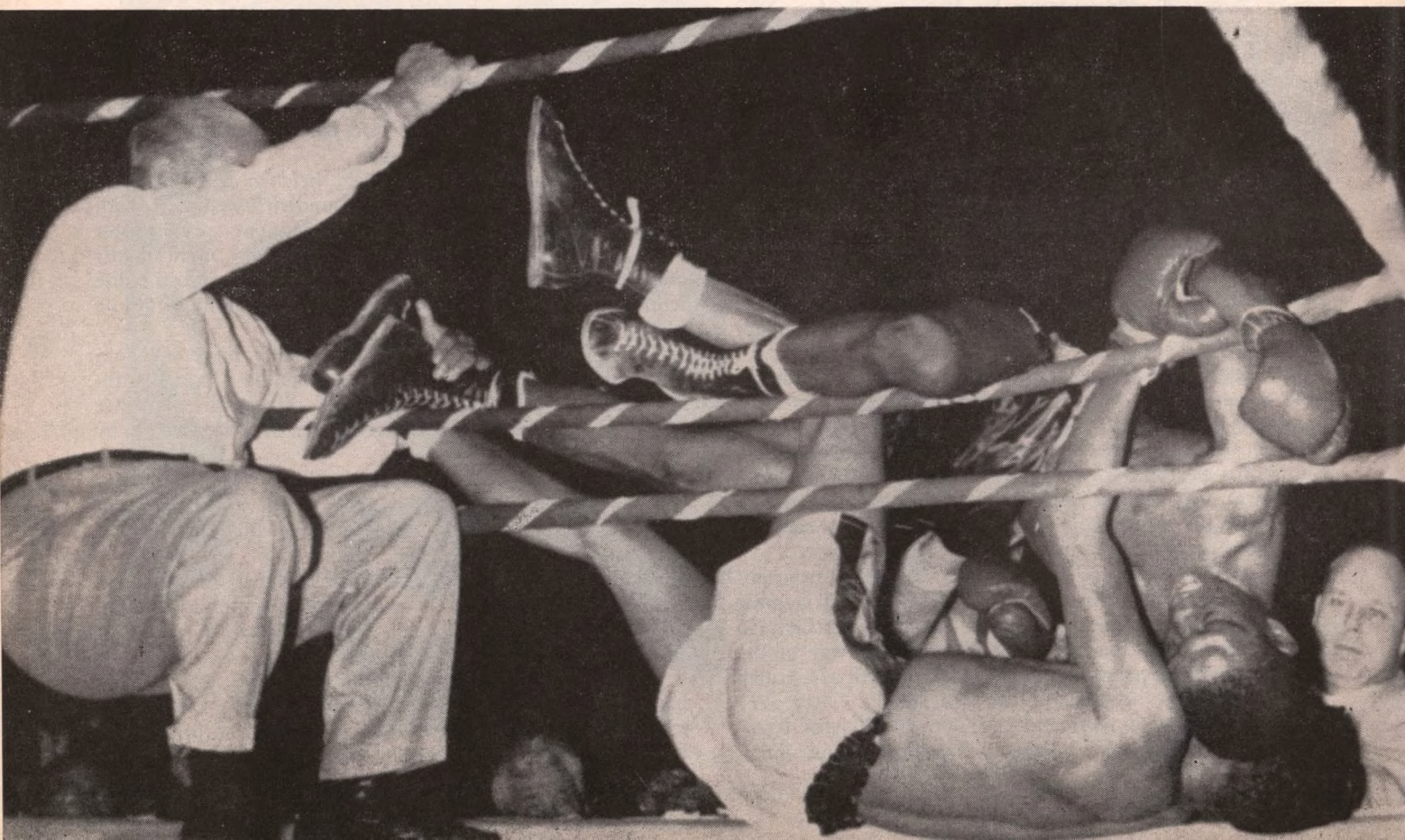
FIGHTING thirteen rounds with the use of only one hand due to a severe injury sustained in the second round, stout-hearted Don Jordan of Los Angeles retained his world welterweight crown, gaining the unanimous decision over Virgil Akins in the Kiel Auditorium of St. Louis.

It was a reminder of the lightweight title bout in which Joe Brown defeated Wallace Bud Smith using only one hand during most of the battle, but the big difference between the two, was the manner in which Jordan trounced his challenger. Don previously had won the championship from Akins in a listless affair in California.

In their return engagement, a desperate contest in which Jordan was out to prove his right to the ownership of the title and his opponent was equally desperate to regain his throne, Jordan relied on his left from the second round on and despite Akins' bulling tactics and the free use of his head throughout the final four frames, Don left the ring with a clean cut victory.

Unlike the Los Angeles bout in which Don won the championship and in which Akins was not effective in defending his crown, the Kiel Auditorium affair was replete with action until the final stages in which

Referee Harry Kessler knows the ropes and is on the inside of this ring. Virgil Akins is on top of the welterweight king Don Jordan outside the ring in this 14th round photo. Jordan retained his title by a decision in their St. Louis, Missouri battle.



the loser's foul tactics, for which no warnings were given nor penalties meted out, forced Jordan to hold until he was in a position for clean shots. It was a bloody and rough contest that ended with Akin's right eye closed, his nose badly cut, and the revenue department smacking a lien on his purse for $23,000 back taxes.

Akins, dubbed a hot-and-cold fighter, possessing a terrific clout, handed out severe body punishment to his rival. But Jordan, despite his hand injury, proved himself a true champion by offering stubborn resistance, assimulating the damaging blows like a veteran and rolling up a decisive triumph.

Referee Harry Kessler had the tally 70 to 68; Judge Howard Hess, 71, to 68 and Judge Connell, 71 to 65. My score was 70 to 63 with Jordan winning ten rounds to four and one even.

The fight proved that Akins has had it and his conqueror must be taken seriously as the monarch of the welters, a distinction one couldn't give him when he won the title in Los Angeles. His victory was acclaimed because it throws the division wide open for top matches.

Had Akins won, reports had it that Sugar Hart would be given a title match, since he is closely allied to those who hold an interest in Virgil. But his defeat paves the way for several others for consideration.

Discussing the future, Don Nesseth, the youthful manager of Jordan declared that he will accept an overweight match in Madison Square Garden and will conisder a championship bout either with Denny Moyer for Portland, Oregon or Art Aragon for Los Angeles. These he thinks would draw the most money.

He said he also will consider offers for a match with Hart, but not until the others are disposed of in Western battles. Del Flanagan and Duilio Loi, Italian champion, are also being considered.

"I don't believe in keeping a champion idle," said Nesseth. *"My boy didn't receive the credit he should have when he won the title because of the failure of Akins to make a fight of it. But I'm certain that the millions who saw the action here, realize that I manage a matured welter king who may not be too great a hitter, but has a fine left hand, can*

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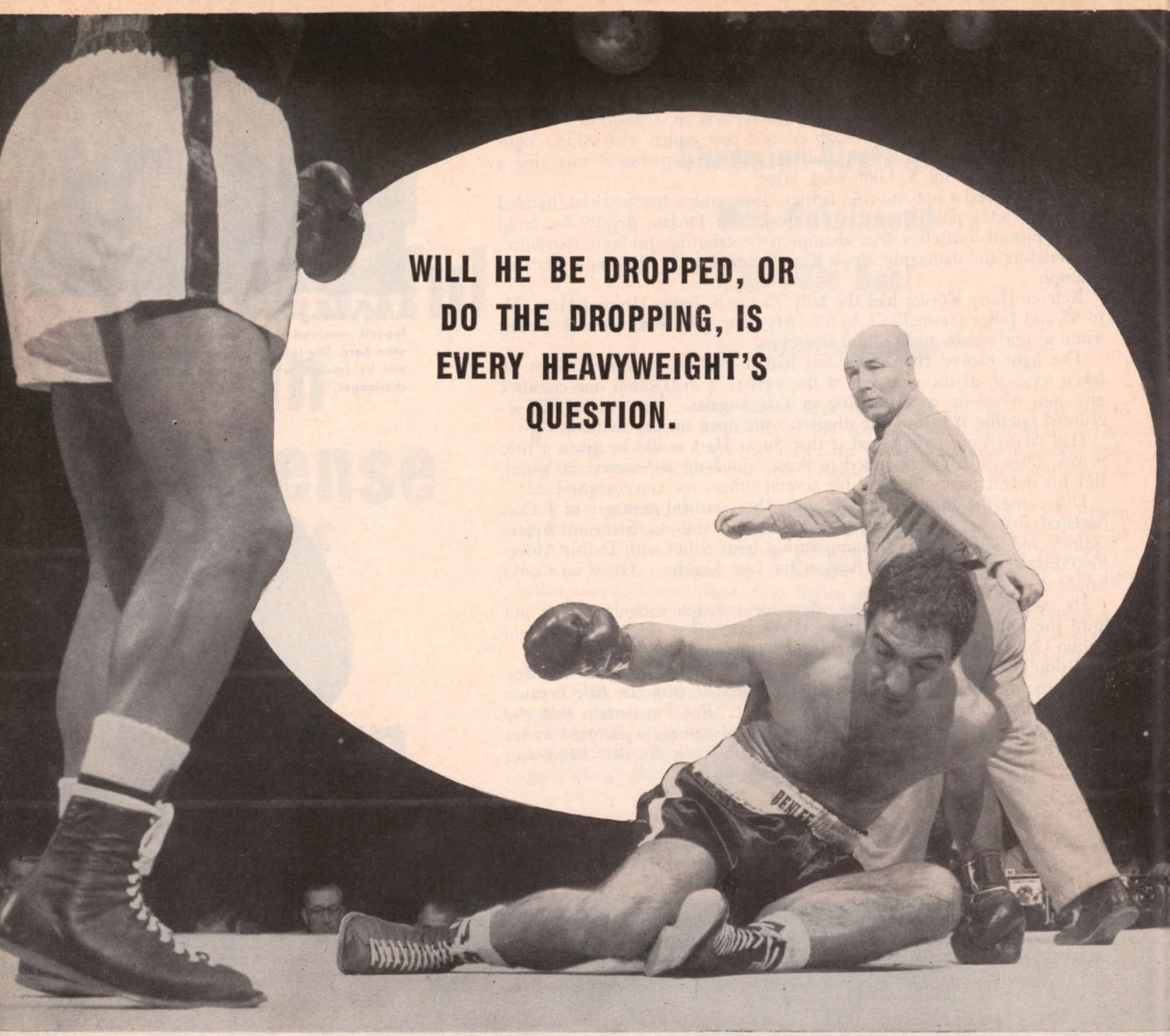
Akins, bleeding from the nose, tired and rubbery-legged, received many left jabs such as the one seen here. The tally led up to a unanimous points win by Jordan, who outpaced and outfought his challenger.

Don Jordan (left) missed a left to head of Virgil "Honey Bear" Akins in later round action. Note that Jordan had face cuts as well as Akins, seen covering up before speedy attack by the champ. Right: Jordan bathing his injured right hand in ice water. He was unable to use it effectively from second round on.



The best of 'em get dropped. Rocky Marciano seen on the canvas in the first round came back to knock out Jersey Joe Walcott in the 13th round to win the world heavyweight title.

THE HEAVY-HEAVY HITTER

By AL BUCK

IN THE heavyweight division there are no China chin champions. While Floyd Patterson has been knocked off his feet by several of his opponents, and may be again during the series of title defenses he plans with Ingemar Johansson and others, it does not follow he has a glass jaw.

Floyd is playing with the big boys, and big boys hit harder than little ones. Only James J. Jeffries retired without having been knocked down, and he made the mistake of coming back.

Take any champion from John L. Sullivan through Rocky Marciano. They all hit the canvas. Remember Marciano, undefeated in 49 fights, the only heavyweight champion never to lose one getting up in the first round at Philadelphia?

This one was for the title and Jersey Joe Walcott dropped the Brockton Blockbuster with a smashing right after setting him up with a left jab. Marciano wasn't worth much and the fight had just started, but he got up. Trailing going into the thirteenth, the Rock caught Jersey Joe on the ropes and exploded the right that made him

the heavyweight champion of the world.

Being knocked out was not a new experience to Jersey Joe. He had been flattened several times before he had made his first bid for the title at the Garden, and while he floored Joe Louis in the first and fourth rounds, the decision went against him. Many were and still are convinced that Walcott won that night, but in a second fight, the Brown Bomber put over the crusher in the 11th round.

When Walcott did win the heavyweight crown, it was with one of the most sensational knockouts ever scored. Ezzard Charles had succeeded Louis as champion and had twice previously defeated Jersey Joe. He figured to make it three in a row in Pittsburgh. The gamblers made Charles a 10 to 1 favorite with no takers, and in the seventh round it happened.

Nobody could believe what they saw, but Charles fell forward on his knees, and toppling over backwards, went to sleep.

Louis was always being staggered, and Buddy Baer stood him on his head on the ring apron in Washington. In his title winning fight, Joe was dropped in the first round by James J. Braddock. And Braddock, a gallant champion, finished flat on his face in the eighth.

As for Marciano, he was floored by Archie Moore, light heavyweight king, in the second round of what was Rocky's last fight.

Of all the heavyweight champions, only Jeffries could boast of never having been knocked off his feet in a title bout and retired undefeated. When he was dropped by Jack Johnson, it was in his comeback attempt on July 4, 1910, at Reno, Nevada, and Jeff held no crown at the time.

There was an incident in Jeffries' career, an exhibition four-rounder with a miner, Jack Munroe, that took place at Butte, Montana, on December 20, 1903, in which for the first time in his fighting career, the California Boilermaker was floored. He and Bob Fitzsimmons were giving a show and were meeting all comers and Jeffries was offering $250 to anyone who would stay four rounds with him. Jack Curley, a promoter and manager, who in later years put on the Johnson-Willard fight in Havana, decided to pit Munroe against Jeff with the idea of creating sufficient interest to enable him later to stage a world championship fight with the Grizzly Bear.

In this, Curley succeeded. According to the agreement, the champion was to stop Munroe within four rounds but at the end of the fourth round the miner was still on his feet and in the second round Jeff's knees touched the canvas. Jeff insisted after the contest and throughout his entire life that he had not been dropped but that he had slipped, and so far as he was concerned, he figured he proved his case when in a world championship fight held in San Francisco on August 26, 1904, he put Munroe away in the second round after handling him a terrific shellacking.

In their exhibition contest, so angered was Jeffries, that when the fourth round came up he went all out for a knockout. All-told Munroe was down nine times and each time he went to his knees, he took the count and came up to meet the big fellow's rushes.

Jeff fought great, solid punchers in Bob Fitzsimmons and Sailor Tom Sharkey. Fitz rattled punches off Jeff's face and ribs, only to be knocked out, when dropping his hands to protect his own battered body, he left his jaw unprotected. That was all Jeffries needed. He knocked out Fitzsimmons twice, and also scored two knockouts over James J. Corbett. He broke Sharkey's ribs in their Coney Island fight and put the Sailor in the hospital.

In Jeffries' silly attempt to regain the supremacy of the white race, he was knocked to the canvas by Jack Johnson three times in the 15th round. The last time he didn't get up.

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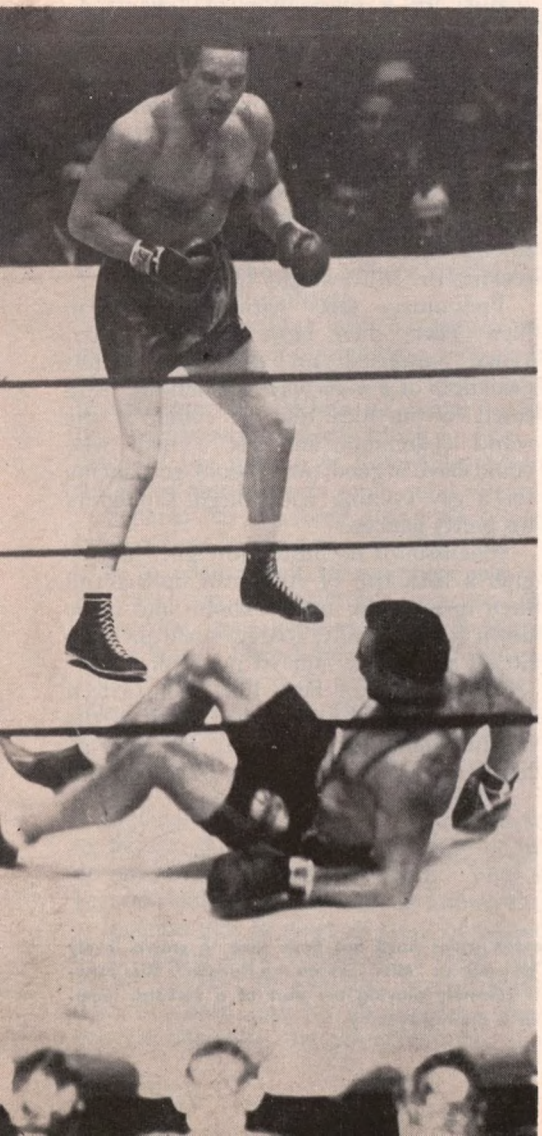
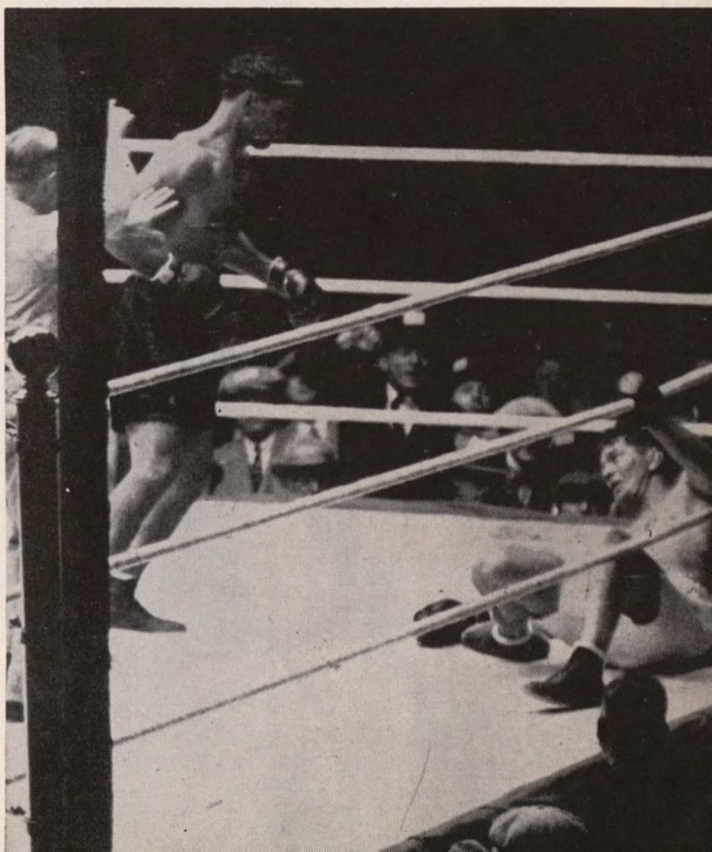


TWO CLASSIC CANVAS CASES

Max Baer kept putting Primo Carnera down in their heavyweight title tilt in 1934, won by Maxie but it took 11 rounds to keep Primo down for the count.

The "long count". Jack Dempsey stood over Gene Tunney in the 7th round of their 1927 return match at Chicago, while referee Dave Barry delayed the count while waiting for Dempsey to go to a neutral corner. This was the only time Tunney was knocked down in a professional fight.



Ingemar Johansson

Many Sided Character

Johansson, challenger for world heavyweight honors held by Floyd Patterson, congratulates the champ at Indianapolis after Patterson had disposed of Brian London of England in 11th round.

Johansson trains hard but finds time to crown lovely Julie Newmar as "Miss Jazz on the Hudson". Miss Newmar is currently playing the part of a Swedish temptress in a Broadway play.

By BILL HAMILTON

(Close friend and confident of Ingemar Johansson and Stockholm businessman and sports writer)

IT was for his world championship affair with Floyd Patterson to demonstrate to American fans what sort of fighter Ingemar Johansson, of Sweden, deserves to be rated.

But, for a summation of Johansson's character, for a study of the Swede as a man and analysis as a character, there was no need to wait for the contest in New York.

Interviews with Johansson, at his up state New York training camp at Grossinger's, revealed him to be a many sided man, in many ways the most interesting foreign challenger who yet has come here seeking the heavyweight title.

Preliminary talks with Johansson in New York, then more extended interviews, produced for American writers evidences of a man who was serious, dedicated to the idea that he could be the world champion, and yet a man who could have a good time, could go dancing for a gay evening with Birgit Lundgren, his pretty fiancee.

Johansson is no busted foreigner here to grab a basketful of American dollars and then open a pub in Stockholm and settle down to the deadly, stodgy, small pickings life of a beer and aquavit purveyor.

As a matter of fact, Johansson arrived here already well fixed, rated worth in the neighborhood of $400,000. He will go home with at least another $200,000 out

of the fight guarantee and television revenue of the Patterson affair.

If he leaves here with the world championship, Ingemar will face the rosiest future which yet has confronted a foreign fighter. Nobody will bilk the Swede out of his money and make another busted Carnera of him. Nobody will cut him into managers' pieces and bilk him into another Max Schmeling.

Johansson has a Swedish "advisor", Edwin Ahlquist. But the fighter's dad and Ingemar himself combine for the major decisions. No witless stumblebum, this scrapper from Gothenburg.

When Ingo's days as a fighter are finished, he will be involved in many business enterprises, notably the highly important commercial fishing business, a very profitable one in his country.

Johansson already has a 90 percent interest in a trawler which cost him close to $100,000 in Holland. This ship left for the fishing waters off Iceland when Inge flew to New York.

Another business which has been very profitable for Johansson is excavation of foundations for houses in Sweden, which, like the United States, is going through a big housing boom, especially around Stockholm.

The excavating company owns trucks, tractors, and steam shovels which cost him $175,000. He has a working force of eight men and a suite of offices in Stockholm.

Johansson is a flier. He is a skier, a good if not spectacular golfer, an expert fly fisherman. He has an eye for beautiful women. Vide, Miss Lundgren. He drives fast cars. He wears expensive clothes, and he likes food.

In fact, from what American writers saw of Ingemar while he was in New York, it may be said without any doubt that he consumes more food than did big Carnera in his title heyday. Neither Schmeling nor coal miner Tommy Farr, and most emphatically, not Georges Carpentier, could have approached the calories intake of this husky trencherman from Sweden. He is strong, healthy, intelligent. He enjoys life, he likes to fight.

I have followed Ingemar a lot since I first met him in 1955. I have had the privilege to be one of his best friends. And I know Ingemar well as a boxer, a businessman and as a young man who likes to have a good time when it doesn't interfere with his boxing.

Ingemar, who lives with his parents in a small villa just by the city-limits of Gothenburg, likes to drive to Stockholm, which is about 350 miles away, where he now has businesses to take care of. When he comes to Stockholm where I live, he has certain places which he likes. We go to a little place in the middle of Stockholm where we can sit and sip coffee and listen to some good music.

Ingemar has a favored eating place just outside of Stockholm where he likes to get a big steak. At night he likes to go to a dance club, for members only, and one of the best in Stockholm. Ingemar is a very good stepper.

Ingemar loves good clothes and has all his suits made up for him. They have to be just right or he won't accept them. He likes to go window shopping. If he sees something he likes he says—"Come on, let us go in and see how much it costs". Here is where the businessman shows up. If he thinks it costs too much, he is not going to buy it. He says, "I am sorry, I was just looking."

Ingemar likes to walk down crowded streets, not because he likes to show off but just because he likes people. People do not bother Ingemar too much. They stop and smile and Ingemar smiles back as if he has known them for a long time.

Ingemar gets to meet all kinds of people. He knows how to get along with everybody. I went with him to see the Prime Minister of Sweden, Tage Erlander, and we visited with this busy man for 30 minutes. Ingemar carried on a conversation with the prime minister as if he hadn't done anything else in his whole life. Both Ingemar and the minister got a big kick out of this meeting.

Johansson takes a hearty snack between announcements at a recent press conference in New York City. Keeping him company in the "Big City" and relaxing while he stows away the chow, is his fiance, the pretty Birgit Lundgren.

Miss Lungren and Ingo explore another facet of his character, his appreciation of feminine style.

We went to see the American Ambassador in Sweden. Ingemar and the Ambassador discussed about everything that could interest Ingemar for his trip to America.

A few weeks before Ingemar left for U. S. A., I went with him to Norway. He was going to box an exhibition in Oslo. We drove to Norway in Ingemar's car. He is a good driver and he likes to go fast.

Of course, there are people whom he dislikes. In fact, there are some he really hates but he is not going to show it. The people he hates have been very unfair.

Few families get along so well as the Johanssons do. They stick together. Ingemar likes to go places, but there is no place like home for him. His mother and father are fine people.

Ingemar told me once he didn't think there could be an easier going fellow than his father. He has never seen him angry. If Ingemar is going to take advice from anyone, that

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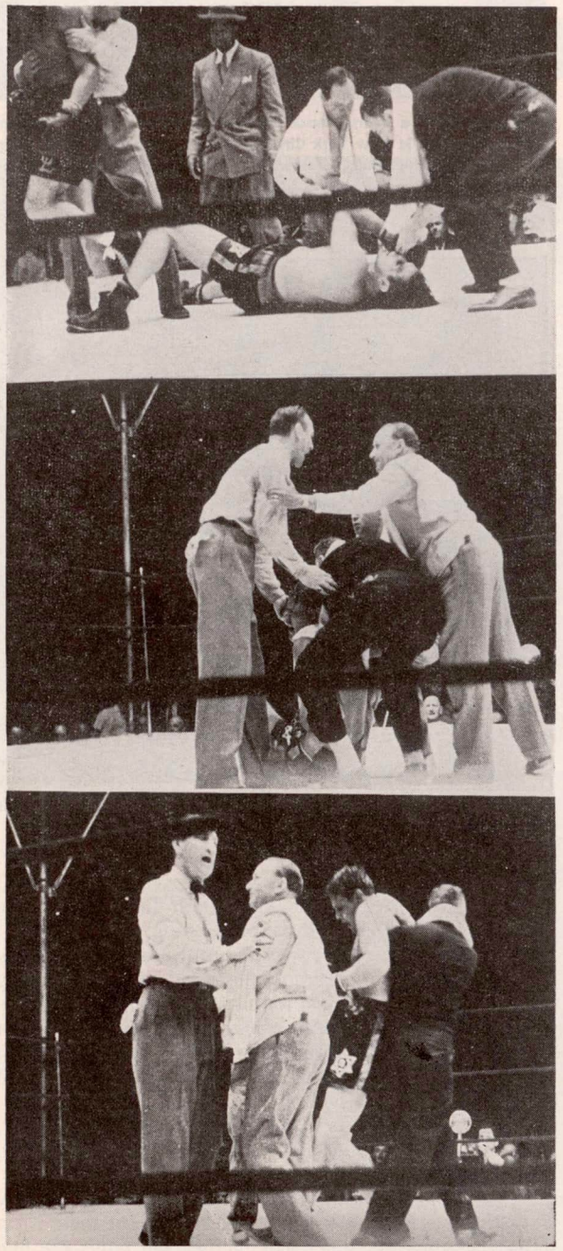
THOSE FOR WHOM THE BELLS TOLL

By LESTER BROMBERG



1941—the bell rings ending the sixth round of a heavyweight championship fight. Joe Louis, world title holder, had driven a right to Buddy Baer's jaw at the bell and Ancil Hoffman, Baer's manager, shouting, "favoritism", jumped into the ring and refused to allow Baer to answer the bell for the seventh round, thereby getting Buddy disqualified by referee Ed Donovan.

ERNEST HEMINGWAY got a solid novel out of his theme, *"For Whom The Bell Tolls."* In boxing the clanging of ringside gongs has been the background for drama which could be written into a dozen novels, with material to spare.

Actually the bell is the most important equipment connected with the ring. It starts and ends every round. For the fighter in distress, the round-ending bell is the angel of mercy. For the fighter on the attack, it's the frustrating order to hold up temporarily.

Today in major centers of the fight game, the bell is operated electrically, which generally means an inflexible 180 seconds to every three-minute round and an unvarying 60 seconds between rounds.

But in other times, before mechanization, the man who controlled the bell came close to controlling the fight. He could tell them when it's over . . . to the benefit of one fighter, if he so chose. Even in an innocent mistake, his influence could have mighty consequences.

History's pages don't include a more revealing story of the bell's importance than the yarn from the Dempsey-Willard fight, in which a timekeeper cost the winner a first-round knockout and his manager, Jack Kearns, a $100,000 bet.

The details require careful retelling, best done by a fight veteran who was there.

Tex O'Rourke is that man.

"As you may know, Tex Rickard made Warren Barbour timekeeper as a sop to Maj. Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, who quieted the church opposition to the fight.

"Biddle got into the act too. He had a squad of Marching Marines and they were invited to drill in the ring. Because it was expected they would scuff up the canvas, a second canvas was slipped over just before the main event. But when it was tied down, the workman muffled the bell completely.

"When it came time to start the fight, Barbour took the bell cord in his right hand, his stop watch in his left. With one gesture he started the watch and pulled the cord. But the bell didn't sound. He fussed and fussed . . . the fighters were waiting. Finally he hit the bell with a whistle he was carrying and the fight began. But "time" had been in all the while.

"Thus, when Willard went down for the seventh time, my watch showed 2:39. By the time the referee got to the count of seven (which he took 12 seconds to reach), I still had it only 2:51, but the timekeeper rang the bell. He said the round was over. I say, and always will say, Dempsey was cheated of nine seconds."

Kearns had wagered $10,000 to the $100,000 that Dempsey's knockout would come in the first. He had to settle for the third.

In times past, the bell has been an instrument for comedy too.

Going back to the golden era of club-fighting around New York, Jack (Doc) Moore recalled the following incident:

BELLS TOLL

The Bell Is Most Important To Any Fighter

"In one of the uptown clubs there was a guy who was famous for quitting when he got nailed a few. One night he was in with a pretty fair puncher.

"Maybe a minute was gone in the first round when he caught a shot on the chin. In no time he was sitting down . . . now ordinarily that would have been the end of it but this night the timekeeper wanted to have some fun. Immediately he rang the bell.

"You never saw such an expression as on the face of that fighter on the floor. He was actually mad that he'd been 'saved.' Well, he had to get up. So he struggled back to his corner.

"Round two—and there were two minutes gone before the other fellow drilled him—he was down again. The count got to 'six, seven, eight—' And zingo! there went the bell. The crowd was getting onto the gag now and laughing out loud. But Canvas-Pants, he didn't think it was funny, he was snarling going back to his seconds.

"Believe me, this went on for eight rounds, each with a belly-laugh bell-ringing. Finally the timekeeper figured he had rubbed it long enough . . . in the eighth he let the guy finish out 10 on the floor. The fighter was still mad when he got out of the ring for the night. And I'll never forget one fan yelling at him going up the aisle, 'Hey bum, you forgot to thank the timekeeper!'"

One of the most historic bell stories of boxing doesn't involve prank-playing or a mistake. It was the nub of a dispute over the outcome of a fight between notable names, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Stanley Ketchel.

This occurred during the no-decision era in New York, when bets were paid off on the opinion of newspaper writers.

They boxed at the old Pioneer Club and it was an intriguing match—O'Brien the master fencer, Ketchel the dynamic puncher.

For seven or eight rounds O'Brien, moving cleverly and making his left jab work for him, dominated the fight. In the latter rounds Ketchel began to come on . . . in the ninth he hurt O'Brien, in the 10th O'Brien literally was running to survive.

With less than ten seconds remaining, Ketchel cornered his man in O'Brien's own corner and bashed him with a left hook and a right cross to the chin.

Jack flopped backwards, his head coming down beyond the ropes and resting in the resin box, a must in those days.

The count began promptly but, before the referee had gotten more than halfway through, the bell rang. O'Brien didn't stir. He was 'dead.' Immediately the question arose: was he knocked out or had he finished the fight?

Fifty years later—the fight took place in 1909—it would seem that he had finished. The rules state a round ends after three minutes, regardless of a man's condition or position. And there was no charge that the time was cut.

But the controversy raged furiously all over New York for weeks with more than one writer asking: *"How can you give a fight to a man who couldn't hear the bell that saved him?"*

In the modern era, with official decisions rendered after every fight, the bell still hasn't lost its capacity to provoke argument.

In these instances the squabbling usually has centered in whether a fighter has been hit after the bell.

From time to time the same fighter is found on opposite ends of the identical rhubarb. When Joe Louis, greatest of the modern heavyweight champions, fought Max Schmeling the first time, he was an aggrieved party. When Joe boxed Buddy Baer 15 years later, in 1941, he was called the offender.

In the fifth round against Schmeling, in which he had

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FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

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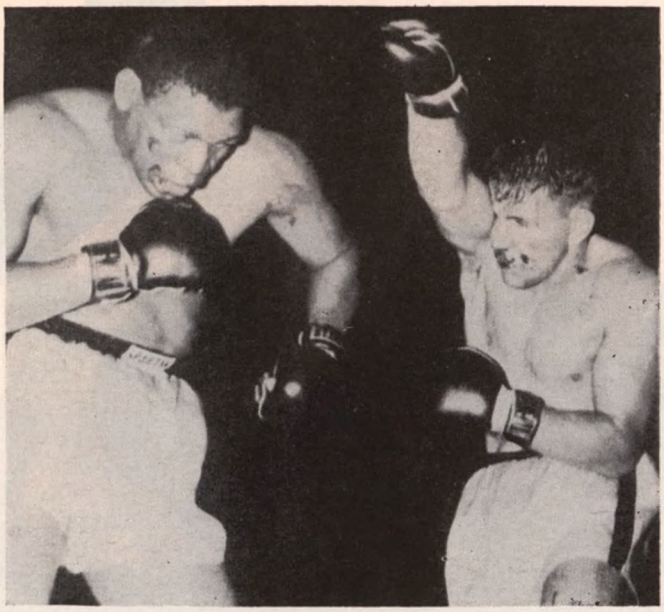
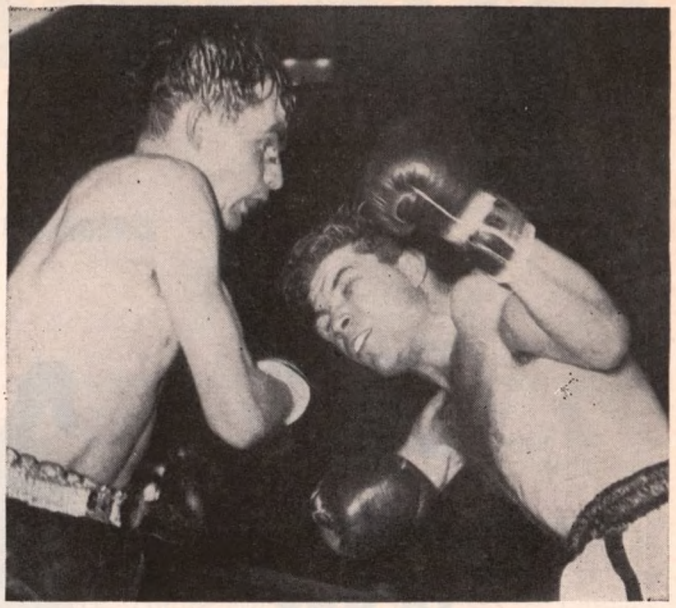


Nino Valdes (left) vs Danny Hodge

Veteran Nino Valdes of Cuba bounced back from his disaster, the Charlie Powell 8 round kayo, to halt Dan Dodge in eight rounds at Wichita, Kansas. Hodge was outclassed by Nino who gave him a sound drubbing from the start until the referee ended matters with the ex-college wrestler suffering the second loss of his short pro boxing career.

HERE COMES MR. JORDAN!



Bill Flamio (right) vs Eddie Jordan

Undefeated Eddie Jordan of Brooklyn gained another split and disputed victory over his Bronx rival, Bill Flamio, in their ten rounder at St. Nick's in New York. This was the third time that Lanky Eddie and squat Bill have faced each other. The first was a draw and Jordan gained the verdict in the second—all have been split decisions. Still another fight may be needed to settle the issue between them.

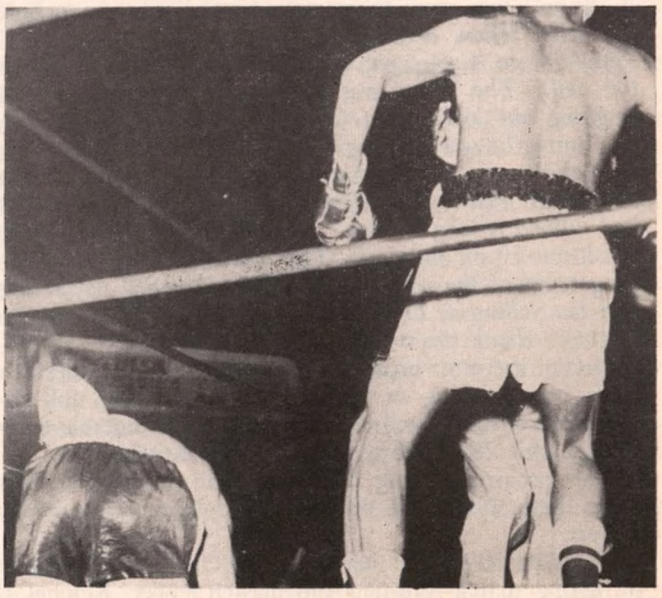
In a meeting of two of the ring's busiest battlers Del Flanagan, top ranking welterweight contender, gained a unanimous ten round victory over Globe-Trotting Jimmy Martinez in St. Paul, Minnesota. Both Del and Jimmy have answered the bell over 100 times in their careers. Flanagan had too much boxing skill for his game opponent and won by a wide margin in an interesting fight.

THE FIRST HUNDRED ARE THE EASIEST

Del Flanagan (right) vs Jimmy Martinez

Another young Mexican made a name for himself before the California fans when Alfredo Urbina turned back veteran Gil Cadilli in a fast ten rounder at the Los Angeles Olympic. Urbina floored Gil in the fourth round and held off a closing rally to earn a split decision. Urbina is one of the many Latin scrappers to come to the front in the past year.

DOWN BUT NOT OUT



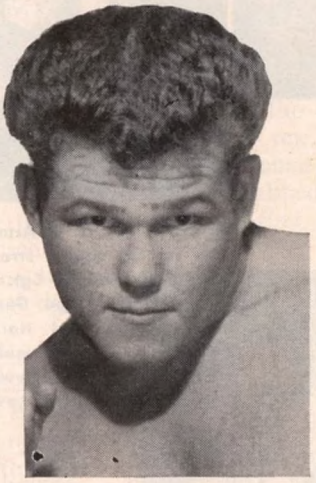
Gil Cadilli (left) vs Alf Urbina

Here Comes The Irish

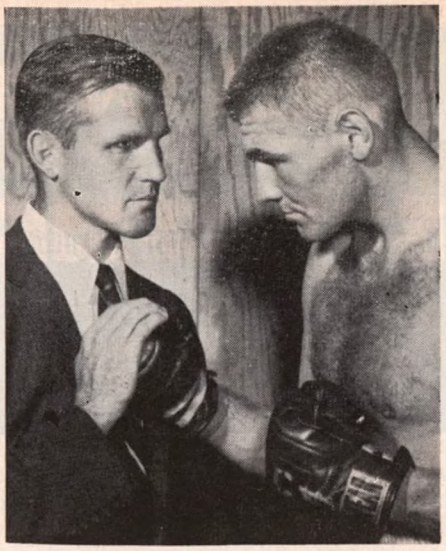
By
LEW ESKIN

George Logan, strong aggressive Boise, Idaho heavyweight.

John Patrick Britt, young unbeaten Philadelphia lightweight.



Bob McKinney, ex-navy light heavyweight from Tacoma, Washington.

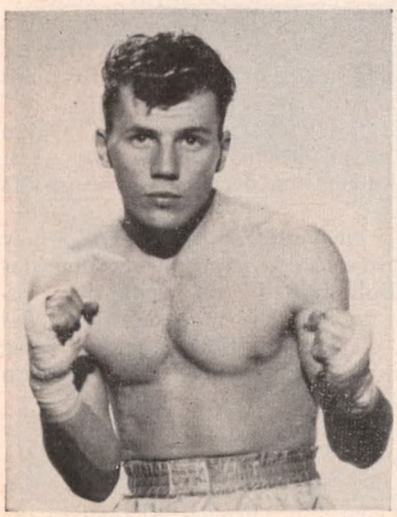


Tom McNeely, Arlington, Mass. heavyweight socker, with his manager Pete Fuller, son of the former Governor of Massachusetts.

FIVE young sons of Erin who are making rapid headway along the fistic trail are blessed with such fine sounding Gaelic names as McNeely, Logan, Britt, McKinney and Donnelly.

They are led by a pair of hard punching, wide shouldered heavyweights, Tom McNeely Jr. of Arlington, Mass. and George Logan from Boise, Idaho. Then there's Bob McKinney, a pleasing light heavyweight from Tacoma, Wash., and a pair of scrappy lightweights, Jackie Donnelly of Buffalo, N. Y., and John Patrick Britt of Philadelphia, Pa.

McNeeley, a six foot 195 pounder who is undefeated in eleven fights, ten of which he has won by knockouts, comes from a fighting family. His dad, who is a florist in Cambridge, was the New England Amateur light heavyweight champion in 1928-29 and engaged in some twenty pro fights before retiring in 1931. Since then Tom Sr. has kept his hand in the game as a boxing instructor at the Cambridge YMCA where he taught Tom and his younger brother Brian how to box.



Jackie Donnelly, Buffalo, N. Y.'s lightweight pride.

Tom is 21 years old, the oldest of five children. He was an outstanding football player at Arlington High School where he played offensive fullback and defensive tackle. In both 1954 and 1955 he was named all-state tackle and in the latter year was picked for the All-American High School squad. He was given a football scholarship to Michigan State University where he was also a member of the boxing team, winning six of eight inter-collegiate bouts. He reached the semi finals of the NCAA championships last year. Tom had won all of his ten amateur fights by kayos and captured the Massachusetts and New England AAU championships in 1955 as well as the Massachusetts National Guard heavyweight crown in 1954 and '55.

When Michigan State gave up their boxing team and his brother Brian went into the Marines leaving Tom alone in Lansing he decided that he would rather fight than play football and came home and launched his professional career.

An aggressive battler in the ring whose style is similar to a charging fullback, McNeely has shown the punching power and determination to carry him a long way. His stunning one round kayo over highly regarded Moses Walker in Madison Square Garden stamped him as a lad who bears watching.

George Logan is a rough and ready belter, who was born and raised in Boise, Idaho. His dad, Rupert, while no fighter, was a logger as a young man and had a reputation as a handy man with his dukes. George is the youngest of seven children, having four brothers and two sisters.

Logan started out as a wrestler in high school and won all ten of his matches. In 1954 he started his amateur boxing career as a southpaw but was quickly turned around by manager Al Berro so that today he's a rightie.

After graduating from high school, George joined the National Guard and now holds the rank of sergeant. He also enrolled in Boise Junior College where he has completed his courses as a draftsman.

He competed as an amateur from 1954 to 1957 and won thirty-six of thirty-nine bouts, thirty of these by kayos, and among the titles he won were the Boise and Midland Empire Golden Glove titles in 1955.

He was defeated in the finals of the Boise Gloves by

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WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

Above is the U. S. Army Boxing team which won the 1959 Inter-Service boxing title for the second straight year. Standing left to right are PFC Leslie E. Norris, light welterweight; Sgt. George S. Manabe, flyweight; Sp4 Norman R. Chambers, bantamweight; Sp4 Gerald Boudreaux, featherweight; Sfc Edward Crook, light middleweight; Sp4 Harry Campbell, lightweight; Sfc Leon Hall, welterweight; Sp4 Robert Conard, middleweight; Pfc I. C. Coleman, light heavyweight and Sp4 Allen Hudson, heavyweight. Kneeling, left to right, are trainer Billy Cavanaugh, coach M-sgt. Gunner Lowenstein and assistant coach, M-Sgt. Pat Nappi.

By

G I JOE

LED by the awesome punching power of Allen Hudson, Harry Campbell and Ed Crook, the Army nailed down the 1959 Inter-Service boxing championship at Gowdy Field, Ft. Benning, Ga., writes George Marker in Army Times. In the tourney finals, the Army batted a thousand, winning six out of six bouts.

Gaining momentum after dropping three-of-five contests in the opening semi-final round, Army picked up four victories the next evening, then climaxed its tourney performance by returning a half dozen finalists without a casualty. Conceded a 50-50 chance to grab its fifth Inter-Service crown in seven years, Army upset the dope by scoring 24 points to the 14 tallied by the Air Force. The Marines placed third with 11, and Navy was a surprising fourth with 10.

The ten Inter-Service champions were: Flyweight—(AF) A/2C Howard Smith, Bolling AFB, D. C.; Bantamweight—(Army) SP4 Norman Chambers, 4th Armored Division, Seventh Army; Featherweight—(Army) SP4 Gerald Boudreaux, Fort Hood, Texas, Fourth Army; Lightweight—(Army) SP4 Harry Campbell, Fort Campbell, Ky., Third Army; Light Welterweight—(Navy) TN Ernest Curtis, USS Damato; Welterweight—(Marines) Pvt. Richard Gilford, Camp Lejeune, N. C.; Light Middleweight—(Army) SFC Ed Crook, 6th Infantry, Seventh Army; Middleweight—(Army) SP4 Robert Conard, 24th Infantry, Seventh Army; Light Heavyweight—(AF) A/3C Bobby Foster, Andrews AFB, Md.; Heavyweight—(Army) SP4 Allen Hudson, Fort Bragg, N. C., Third Army.

Of 30 bouts contested in three days, only Army boxers were able to stop their opponents. In the seven contests which failed to go the distance, Hudson, Campbell and Crook accounted for a pair apiece, and Conard scored a TKO in the finals.

Flyweight Howard Smith capitalized on his ranginess and methodically kept poking his well-schooled left jab into the face of Marine Cpl. Ramon Rosales, Treasure Island Naval Station. Smith hardly worked up a sweat in winning each round.

A/1C Tom Mathis, Dow AFB, Me., repeated his rushing tactics which brought him earlier successes but bantam stylist Norman Chambers easily solved this strategy with a cool defense, highlighted with a crisp left hook counter. After feeding Mathis with a steady diet of left hooks to the body and head, the soldier mixed up his attack in the second by scoring with right hand leads and crosses. Chambers met a confused foe in the third and had little difficulty moving out of range and scoring at will.

Many present felt that featherweight Gerald Boudreaux was handed a present by the judges in "winning" a split decision over Pvt. Charles Brown, MCRD, San Diego, Calif. Boudreaux, inflexible in his tactics, stood ramrod tall waiting for his weaving foe to move into range. For the first two rounds, Brown did little accommodating, but when he did come close enough he managed to score with a left hook and bled Boudreaux's nose. In the third, the judges seemed captivated when the soldier unloosed a few right hands—though none was effective—and made a semblance of fighting. Even the partisan crowd failed to cheer when the decision was announced.

Campbell, one of the most feared lightweights in service boxing ranks, scored a 37-second knockout over PFC Robert Hankins, Treasure Island Naval Station. The fans, knowing it is fatal to look away from the ring when Harry's throwing leather, watched him move out of his corner fast and assert himself with a sizzling left hook. Hankins, his fears now confirmed, waded back but not to safety as Harry moved after him quickly with another hook that seemed to take the last bit of fight out of his opponent. Hankins, in his corner with his gloves protecting his face, made a pitiful target. The "coup de grace", a round-house right to the ribs, collapsed Hankins and referee Charley Reynolds tolled the ten count.

In the light welterweight bout, Ernest Curtis won a split verdict over A/1C James Richardson, Bolling AFB, after three rounds of hard fighting decided by the sailor's surprising late rally.

Easily the most furious encounter of the entire tourney was welter Richard Gilford's torrid victory over courageous A/1C Dean Harrison, Bolling AFB. It would have required an IBM machine to tally the number of punches hurled by each fighter. It was surprising that only one knockdown was scored in the entire fight. This came in the second when Gilford dropped Harrison for nine.

Light middleweight Ed Crook, nearly five inches shorter than SN Thell Torrence, USS Rochester, looked like a beaten boxer for 2:50 seconds of the first round. Just then his overhand right connected and Torrence listened to the

count of nine as the bell sounded. Ed nailed Torrence with an identical punch midway in the round and again dropped him. By this time Crook's overhand right was lined up perfectly and he couldn't miss. The end came at 2:07 of the second as Torrence tried unsuccessfully to rise before ten after being sprawled.

Middleweight Robert Conard absorbed a punishing first round from AN Lawrence Howard, Jacksonville NAS, then scored a TKO victory in 2:30 of the second. Howard's left hook and right cross combination was very effective in the first, and Conard seemed rocky as he went back to his corner. In the last round, he continually beat the sailor to the punch by moving inside with short jabs and right crosses. Shifting to the body, he made Howard hold. Confident he was now on his way, he staged a long barrage that finally put Howard down for nine. When Howard arose, he was met with a series of thundering punches that dropped him again. Referee Eddie LaFond stopped the fight at this point.

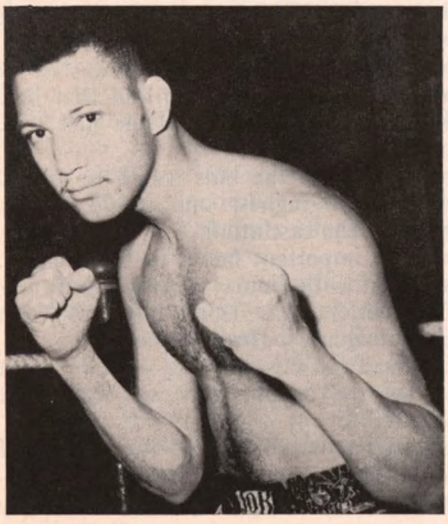
Light heavyweight Bobby Foster experienced little difficulty with SN James Rosette, USS Pillsbury, as he took a unanimous decision. The southpaw sailor never used his best weapon—the straight left—and Foster had an easy time pecking away with his long left jab and an occasional right cross.

Two-time Inter-Service heavyweight champion Allen Hudson got his triple at the expense of PFC Amos Johnson, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, as he scored a knockout in 2:49 of the second. The Marine, a well-muscled southpaw, proved a difficult target for Hudson in the first as he crouched into a semi-shell before springing forward with a long left hook. Hudson, in the meantime, fought coolly, content with sticking a long jab to find the range. The honeymoon was over when the bell sounded for the second. Hudson straightened Johnson with a 1-2 and nailed him with a right that dropped him for nine. Johnson came up fighting and stung the champion to greater fury. In a wicked exchange of punches that followed, Hudson crumbled his foe on his face for the full count.

CONARD TOPS 'EM ALL

Augsburg, Germany—Bob Conard, the 24th Infantry Division's great young middleweight, climaxed two months of tournament fighting recently when he won the Inter-Service middleweight title at Fort Benning, Ga., by stopping Navy's Larry Howard in the second round.

Starting in February, "Conny" won the third annual German-American light heavyweight championship in Nurnberg, then swept through the USAREUR southern regionals, quarters, semis and finals to become the new USAREUR middleweight king. Within a week he was winging his way across the ocean for Ft. Benning and the All-Army trials.



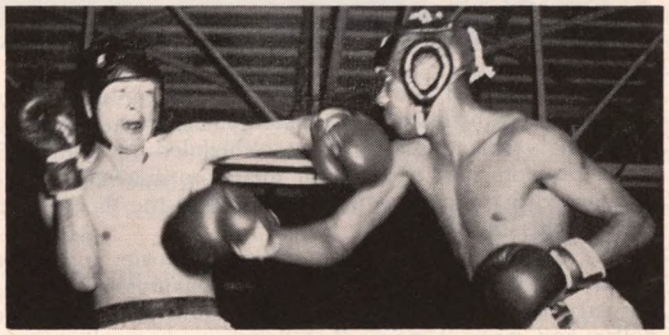
SP4 Bob Conard, 24th Infantry Division, Seventh Army battler who won both the All-Army and Inter-Service Middleweight championships.

At Benning Bob fought three times, winning once by TKO and twice by decision to grab the All-Army crown. Then came the Inter-Service clashes and Conard came through again to become the new all service middleweight champion and gain the right to try for the Pan-American team.

Conard's victory marked the second year in a row that a Bernie Callahan coached middleweight has taken all the marbles in service boxing. Conard replaced Richard Lee on the champion's pedestal when he got out of the Army to fighting professionally in Phoenix, Arizona.

Bob, who has run up a record of 27 straight wins, is undefeated in service boxing and, more important, all his fighting prior to the All-Army has been at group-level or with the USAREUR champions, the 24th Infantry Division Lions. He had three fights in his hometown at the Moland Branch of the Dallas, Texas YMCA before entering the Army and one company-level bout in the 187 Infantry before Callahan and his trainer, Sgt. Adolph Torres, spotted him and nabbed him for the Lions.

The six foot, one inch, 20-year-old middleweight actually started boxing at the age of 16 but never, with the exceptions noted above, got past the sparring stage.



Norman Chambers (right) scores with a right to the body of Claudio Trujillo, during their bout at Ft. Benning, Ga. Chambers of Germany took a unanimous decision over his Ft. Carson, Colo. foe in this bantamweight elimination bout.

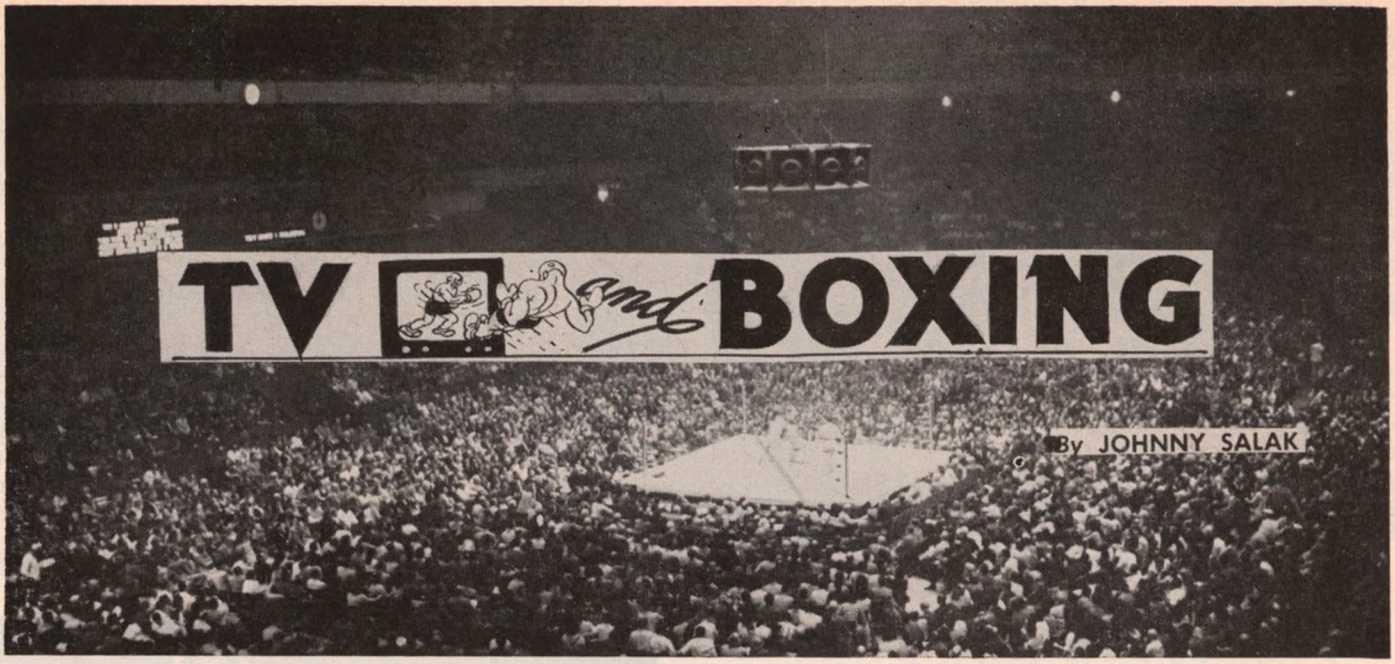
This Fall Bob grabbed a couple of wins over German opponents before traveling to Sweden where he decisioned the number two ranking amateur light heavyweight twice in three fights. Returning from Sweden he fought both as a light heavy and middleweight for the 34th Infantry and won the Division light heavyweight title without working up a sweat.

"BOOM BOOM" GRIFFIN

James "Boom Boom" Griffin, 160-pound middleweight of Ascom, Korea who competed in the Interservice-International boxing tournament at Camp Zama, Japan, recently, sports an impressive fistic record. His ten year ring tenure includes 48 victories that helped him win the Hawaiian Golden Gloves middleweight crown three times, the Hawaiian A. A. U. middleweight title twice and the All-Air Force championship once.

PAN-AMERICAN GAMES TRIALS

The Army entered eight boxers in the Pan-American Games trials at Madison, Wis., late in April. The boxers were: bantamweight SP4 Norman Chambers, 4th Armored Division; feather Pvt. Willie Littles, 36th Infantry; lightweight SP4 Harry Campbell, Ft. Campbell; light-welterweight PFC Leslie Norris, Ft. Riley; welterweight SFC Leon Hall, Ft. Campbell; light-middleweight SFC Ed Crook, 6th Infantry; middleweight SP4 Robert Conard, 24th Division; and heavyweight SP4 Allen Hudson, Ft. Bragg. MSgts. Blazer (Gunner) Lowenstein and Pat Nappi coached the Army team.



THE Battle of the Big Dollars continued right up to six weeks before the Patterson-Johansson world heavyweight championship bout, scheduled for June 25, when promoter Bill Rosensohn finally contracted for and announced that TelePrompTer had bought the theatre television rights to the fight.

The awarding of theater television, movie and radio rights to TPT for $300,000 sees the champion receiving 40 percent of this package, while Johansson will get 20. In dollars and cents, it means that Patterson, from all sources, is guaranteed a minimum of $420,000 for the fight, Johansson $160,000.

The telecast will reach more than 200 locations throughout the U. S. and Canada, with a seating capacity exceeding an unprecedented 500,000.

Rosensohn said theaters in New York will be blacked out for a 75-mile radius.

With at least 200 theaters being lined up, Irving B. Kahn, president of TelePrompTer, said the bout would be the biggest closed circuit television show in history with the largest TV receipts ever. The Robinson-Basilio world middleweight championship bout, in 1958, which grossed $1,400,000 in theaters and drive-ins, holds the record up to now. There were 400,000 paid admissions at 174 locations This also was a TelePrompTer show.

The bout will be broadcast both here and abroad, but thus far radio arrangements have not been completed. Despite the report that the fight might start as late as midnight because of the European broadcast, promoter Rosensohn said it would probably go on close to 10 P. M. It has been a practice in the past, if such a show is being theater-telecast from the East to delay the starting time, as a 10 o'clock opening bell would call for a too-early, 7 P. M. starting time on the West Coast.

Hard on the heels of the announcement by Rosensohn that TelePrompTer, the outfit of which he was a vice-president before donning the mantle of boxing impresario, had landed the theatre-TV contract for the international championship bout, came bitter retorts from a rival group which had been "bidding" for the rights.

Nate Halpern, president of Theatre Network Television, contended his bid of $450,000, "a record guarantee," and $150,000 more than the TelePrompTer figure—had been ignored.

Halpern said he had telegraphed his offer to the promoter a good many hours before the final announcement came, requesting a reply within 48 hours.

His message to Rosensohn stated, in part:

"Pursuant to your request, TNT is making a bid for the fight. You assured me Sunday (Ed. note: the day before the contract was announced) that bids are not yet closed.

"TNT will pay $450,000 minimum, a record guarantee, against participitation by promotion and fighters in the actual TV and radio receipts. The previous all-time high was $339,000 for the second Robinson-Basilio fight.

"TNT's 10-year promotion and production of 18 championships is the most successful in the industry . . . this (the bid) follows correspondence with you (Rosensohn) and Cus D'Amato for competitive conditions."

One of the complaints by Halpern dealt with a conference with Rosensohn the Friday before the announcement. "At that time he said there was no deadline on bids. . . . In the presence of a witness, he asked for a verbal bid which I refused to give him. I thereupon put it in writing."

Rosensohn later emphasized that at no time had he ever indicated bids were open to other companies engaged in theater television.

"I was surprised when I received a telegram from TNT Sunday night offering $450,000—after I had closed the deal with TelePrompTer," he said.

The bid possibly could have been a genuine one, but Rosensohn declared: "TNT could have offered $800,000 just as well as the $450,000 and been perfectly safe at that time."

According to Milton Fenster, a spokesman for Theater Network Television, however, TNT had no idea what the TelePrompTer bid was.

"In fact," Fenster insisted, "Rosensohn said as late as Sunday afternoon that bids were wide open and that he'd meet with Irving Kahn before knowing for the first time what TelePrompTer's bid would be.

"Rosensohn also said that all the bids would be placed in sealed envelopes and the highest one would get it. But that didn't seem to be the case at all."

Rosensohn said that an important factor in his decision, after weeks of negotiation with home television networks and other theater TV outlets, was TelePrompTer's "past record for getting the job done." He explained:

"The big thing in theater TV is working with an outfit which has proven it has the organization and equipment to handle a really big fight."

TelePrompTer's diverse activities include the staging of industrial, governmental and educational telecasts and important contributions to the training program at the Army

Ordnance Guided Missile School at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Ala.

TelePrompTer Corporation was founded eight years ago initially to manufacture the well-known prompting device of that name, which now represents only a small part of the company's rapidly expanding activities.

The corporation's main activities are in the fields of group communications, the objective of which is to permit the complete and accurate transfer of ideas and information in less time, with greater comfort and for greater understanding and retention.

In simpler language, if you do not live in the vicinity of New York, arrange to buy a ticket and see the Patterson-Johansson championship fight at a theater or drive-in.

THE BEEFEATERS

British boxing fans have a beef—and we are not talking about their heavyweights. It seems that while they are very happy with viewing boxing on video (the saturation isn't complete as yet), they are beginning to groan and moan about the constant interruptions for commercials. More vexing and perplexing is the situation when a bout will be "cut off" from the viewers before the conclusion of a round to give out with the good old sales pitch.

One viewer observed that ITV lopped 12 minutes, for commercials, off a half-hour boxing program from the Royal Albert Hall, London, recently.

An ITA official commented: "Advertising is allowed up to an average of six minutes per hour or less, taken over the day. It is always less than 12 minutes in any one clock hour. These limits have never been exceeded."

A British writer challenged that statement. Said he, "we have been inflicted with over twenty commercials in a 45 minute boxing program."

In other instances, bouts have been "blacked out" before the exciting end had been completed. In a Northern Counties vs. Scotland match a fight was switched off the cameras before the final bell, with still three minutes scheduled time remaining. It also happened during the A.B.A. Junior Championships.

On the other hand, B.B.C., which does not carry commercials, recently over-ran their time for seven minutes to complete a bout.

How much televised boxing are the British getting? Well, we haven't checked too carefully but taking a recent schedule that is before us, for the period between April 10 to 25 there were nine boxing programs listed for TV. Six of those shows involved amateurs and three of them top ranking professionals. The latter included: Sam Langford vs. Jim Cooper; Johnny Halafihi vs. Giulio Rinaldi; Arthur Howard vs. Eddie Wright.

Ron Olver, who discourses on the video vibrations for Boxing News, a London publication, sadly said: "I am becoming most unpopular at home. Five boxing sessions on television in as many days is a bit too much. They took a poor view of my monopolizing the TV set, and were not impressed when I mentioned that it was all part of the job."

Despite all sorts of restrictions and guards, the British public just now are being tempted with more televised boxing than Americans ever were. How long it will be before there is a definite effect, it is difficult to say. Long it will not be, however.

Already one hears reports of televised shows that had a sparse paid attendance. Any number of excuses are given for this. Bad weather. Bad fighters. Other attractions on TV. Other attractions off TV. You name it, the excuse has been given. Whether they are legitimate remains to be seen. Whether they are the first signs of the TV fan definitely being weaned away from the arena is a strong possibility.

We look for the British to take a more realistic look at the boon or problem of televised boxing before too long. They have the experience of the American tragedy to look on for guidance.

SEEING IS BELIEVING

Forty-eight hours after Floyd Patterson had stopped Brian London in the eleventh round of the world heavyweight championship bout at Indianapolis, on Friday, May 1, the films were being shown on television throughout the British Isles.

What appeared to be a dull bout on American screens, lacking in thrills or competition, did not improve some four thousand miles from the scene of the crime. It was dull (and probably drizzling raining, too) over there.

However, the British had a rooting interest in Brian London and first reports indicate that to some extent they were pleased with the showing of the ponderous pachyderm from Blackpool. To the glory of the British Empire, he had not folded like an Arab's tent at the first look at the champion, but rather had taken considerable punishment, particularly to the body before having to call it a night.

What disappointment has crept into these reports is that the eighth-ranking world heavyweight never did mount an offensive of any consequence. Certainly there was no do-or-die, Charge-of-the-Light-Brigade quality about London's efforts.

London's answer to this, with the televiewers participating in the interview: "Well, you saw the fight. I was too busy defending myself."

Tsk, tsk. British history was not made with statements like that.

SAM TAUB—PIONEER FIGHT ANNOUNCER

One of the redeeming features of Floyd Patterson's tune-up against Brian London was that it brought into focus one of the grand old veterans of the fight game—Sam Taub.

A pioneer radio and television fight announcer, Taub was the center of attraction in the ring as he made the announcements, unfortunately one of the rare occasions when the grand old man is used nowadays.

The voice that thrilled millions for many years and the knowledge of the game which made him without a peer at his profession were in evidence. We enjoyed hearing and seeing him. We know many others did, too, those spread throughout the country who heard their first accounts of boxing from Sam in his radio broadcasts

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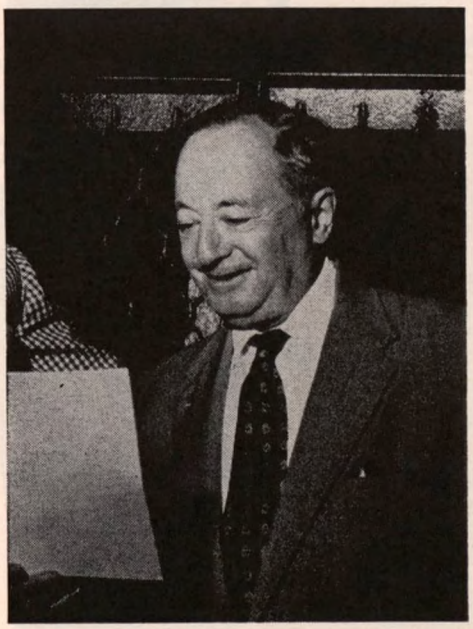
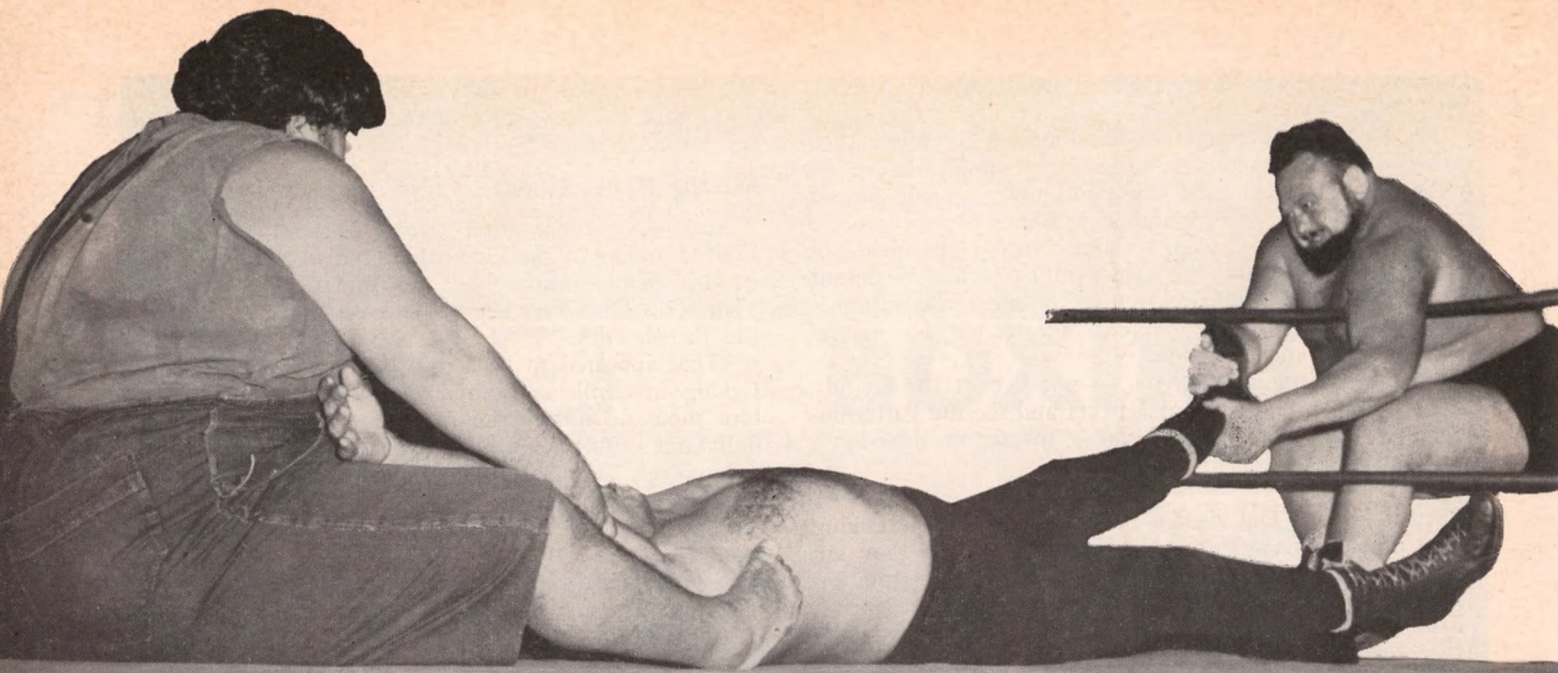


Sam Taub, pioneer radio and TV fight announcer, who was a welcome sight as ring announcer at recent Patterson-London world heavyweight championship fight at Indianapolis.



THE MAT WORLD

Country Boy Calhoun, 602 pounds, arm stretches big Tiny Mills while Mills tag team partner the 350 pound El Hombre Montana, attempts to aid his mate by pulling him out under the ropes. Calhoun and company won the match which took place in San Jose, California. (Photo by Shirley)

By **NAT LOUBET**

Asheville, North Carolina's newest contribution to wrestling is the vivacious, high powered blonde Pat Lyda, who is hard to corner and knows her holds.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

RICKI STARR going strong in East will shortly leave for Los Angeles where he is scheduled to do some picture work. . . . Mike London, promoter in Albuquerque, New Mexico has shows planned involving Pat O'Connor, Sonny Myers, Juan Garcia, Dick Hutton, Joe Hamilton, among others. . . .

The summer is getting off to a hot start with several Fan Club conventions. Number one on the agenda is the Annual Fan Club Rally, to take place at Cincinnati, beginning on June 20th. Chairman of the Rally is Art Hermeling with Alice Post as Treasurer and Janie Swisher as Secretary. The cost for attending is slight and those interested can write to Art at 734 Delhi Ave., Cincinnati 4, Ohio.

Philadelphia, Pa., is the sight of the second Fan Club Convention which will take place on July 3rd and 4th . . . all the FC's their honories et al are invited . . . a special program that promises to be interesting has been laid on by the convention president, Miss Margie R. Barbarian, who can be reached re details at 4703 Sanson Street, Phila. 39, Pa. Word from our good friend Peg Colwell that Bulldog Plechas has just left for a four month tour with a stopover in Japan . . . his family will join him as soon as school is over for the summer.

Killer Kowalski, recognized in Boston as the champ is figuring on an invasion of the New York Area. He has challenged NWA champ Pat O'Connor to a match to decide which is the better man.

THE FAN CLUB CORNER

If you are a fan of any one of the following wrestlers here's your chance to join his fan club.

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Salina, Kansas; Ricki Starr FC., Douglas Steinberg, President, Town House # 3, Great Neck, L. I.

POPULARITY POLL

Men	Women
1: Pat O'Connor	1: June Byers
2: Ricki Starr	2: Judy Grable
3: Eddie and Jerry Graham (Team)	3: Princess Moolah
4: Antonino Rocca	4: Millie Stafford
5: Ronnie Etchison	5: Gloria Barratini
6: Mark Lewin and Don Curtis (Team)	6: Shirley Strimple
7: Lord Athol Layton	7: Nell Stewart
8: Verne Gagne	8: Pat Lyda
9: Pepper Gomez	9: Betsy Ross
10: Billy Varga	10: Penny Banner

COWBOY BOB ELLIS

One of the fastest rising stars in the wrestling fraternity today, is a rugged young cowboy from San Angelo, Texas.

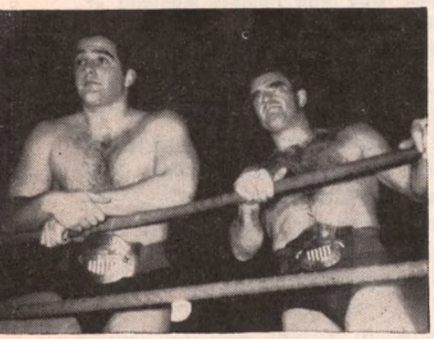
Cowboy Bob Ellis has one of the finest physiques in the business, standing a little over 6' 4" tall and a well proportioned 230 pounds of bone and muscle.

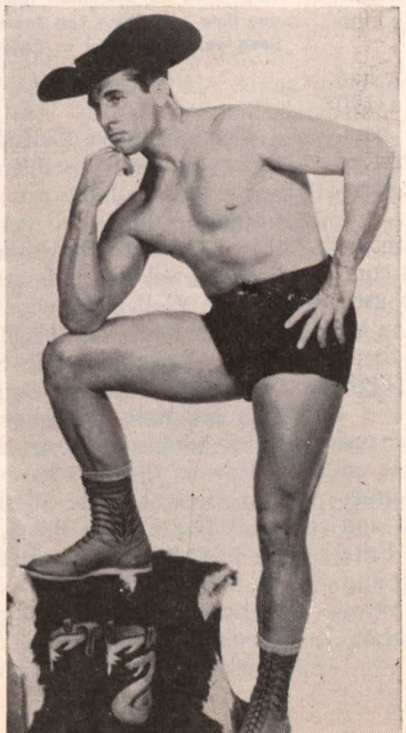
This powerhouse Texan is a favorite performer whereever he appears, and has gained a very large following among the male as well as female wrestling fans.

Currently appearing in Ohio, Indiana, Missouri and his own home-state of Texas, Big Bob recently shared top billing on the same card with Pat O'Connor, the new heavyweight champ recently, when Ellis and Dino Bravo teamed up in a gangbuster team match against Dick the Bruiser and Lee Henning in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Every inch a man, Ellis was a star rodeo performer at the age of 12 and excelled at bronco riding and steer wrestling while attending McMurry College in Texas. A paratrooper in the Korean war, he made 53 jumps, and was the tallest paratrooper in his outfit. Before Korea, he was named to the All-Army Football team. Later he declined offers of a career in professional football to take up wrestling. In 1955, the famous Ed "Strangler" Lewis discovered Ellis wrestling then under the name of Bob "Elliott" and took him under his wing to teach him the finer points of wrestling.

He changed his wrestling name to Cowboy Bob Ellis and in four short years has chalked-up an impressive record for himself. His most significant match being the rough-house clash with Dick Hutton in the jam packed Kansas City Auditorium. The bout ended in a draw. And it must be remembered that Dick Hutton was then the heavyweight champ! Since then, Big Bob has wrestled some of the best wrestlers





Above: Mark Lewin and Don Curtis, a version of the American Tag Team champs, posing before a match with their championship belts. They're the rage on the Eastern U. S. circuit. Their bit is superb showmanship. It's those little touches such as banging their opponents heads together . . . little things.

Girl wrestling popular the world over. Here we see Miss's Heindel and Schwarz who do most of their grappling as part of a night club show which is the rule rather than the exception on the Continent.

Jo Marcelle (left) about to deliver a forearm smash to jaw of Beale Sesat Hamburg, Germany. How'd you like to wrestle with these gals?

Below: Trendle Langer with an arm strangle hold on Kim Violet. What a way to neck! or break a pretty neck!

in the country—both in solo and tag team matches.

Cowboy Ellis keeps in topnotch physical condition by combining body-building, swimming, riding and occasional bronco busting at his ranch in Texas.

SHORT ON STAN HOLEK

A six-foot three-inch, 240 pound blonde haired ring master from Northwood, Ontario, is a headliner in wrestling mainly because his former teacher Bert Ruby instructed him not to go into the mat game unless he planned to become a headliner.

The big blonde referred to is Stan Holek who for the past four years has been making the headlines with his sensational style of grappling. He has been working five and six nights a week against fellows like Mike Angelo, Billy Fox, Bull Montana, Frankie Talaber, Jackie Nichols and Edmund Francis.

Holek combines speed and leg wrestling. He can also handle his dukes with the best. Raised on a farm with five brothers, Stan says you have to use your feet and hands to defend yourself.

Married to an attractive model, this 25 year old star of the mat has one of his most ardent followers in his wife Ruth, who hails from Plainville, Michigan. They spend the most of their leisure time on the farm and in the open country. Stan likes to catch up on his reading during off hours while Mrs. Holek makes his fancy jackets and the majority of her own wardrobe.

According to Ruth, Stan is a model husband. Someday they hope to own a ranch.

WRESTLING ACTION
By Earle Yetter

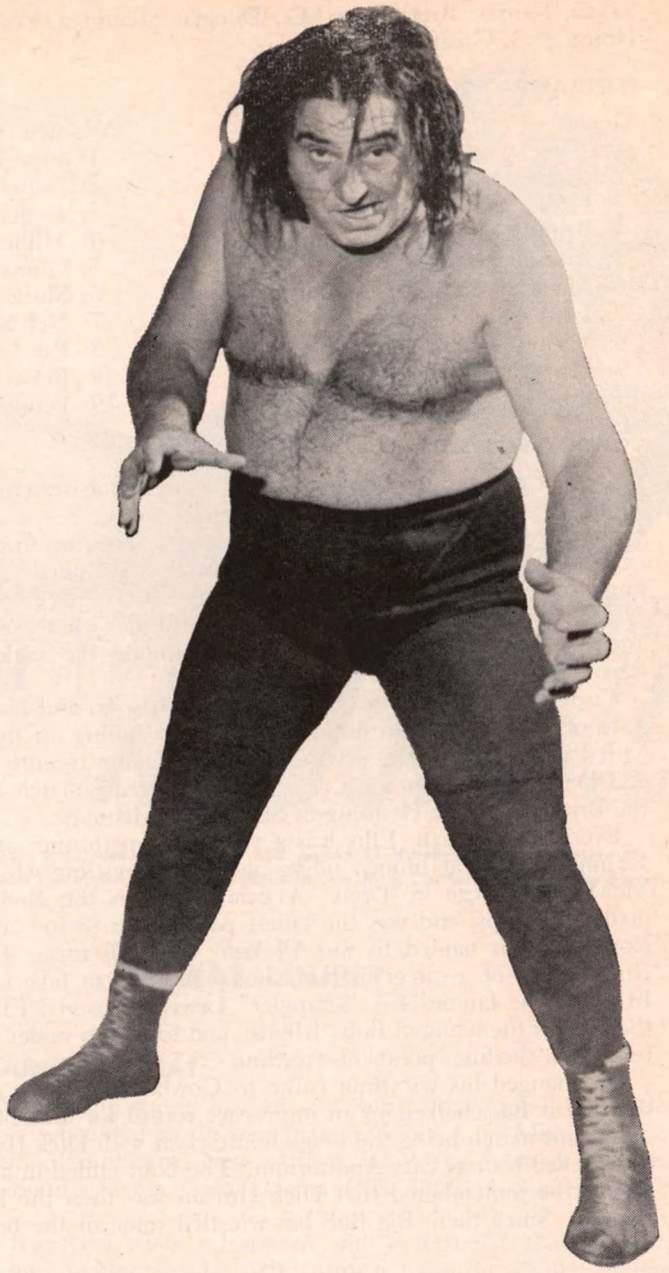
Buffalo, N. Y. Each year Promoter Pedro Martinez puts on a Parade of Champions, a Wrestling Extravaganza in Buffalo's Memorial Auditorium. The well-known upstate wrestling major domo had every reason to be proud of his presentation this year as 10,007 stormed the turnstiles to take in the glittering seven bout card which saw Ilio Di Paolo, the Italian champion, hold world heavyweight champion Pat O'Connor, to a 44 minute draw in the feature event.

Di Paolo had a weight advantages of 15 pounds on O'Connor and used it on every occasion as he battled the champion to a standstill. The fiery Italian grappler had O'Connor on queer street on a couple occasions and was on the verge of pinning the new champ when the curfew ended activities. It was a bout which saw rugged, scientific action on display and it was a fitting demonstration of the outstanding ability of Di Paolo.

While the fans agreed that Di Paolo and O'Connor had put on a great bout, it remained for a mere slip of a 190 pound frustrated balet dancer, turned wrestler, to completely steal the show. The individual was Ricki Starr of Greenwich Village, N. Y. and he made the evening a pleasant one all around.

Frank Fozo, a surly individual from Hamilton, Canada, was Starr's opponent. He was a completely befuddled competitor and was amazed at the audacity of Starr, who used two back flips and a press for victory. That Starr was the hit of the show could not be denied. You can read more about this newest wrestling sensation in the next issue of THE RING.

Other stellar bouts on the 19th Annual Parade of Champions show saw Whipper Billy Watson put the quietus on Chief Chewacki with a claw hold in 4.56. Watson, former World Champion, is now British Empire Champion and Chewacki claims the Championship of the Gypsies. Fritz von Erich and Bobo Brazil went at each other hammer and tongs in another bout, but the differences between these two will have to be ironed out in a notime limit bout, it appears, as they ended up in a stalemate.



Tiny Mills, ex Canadian lumberjack who with Hombre Montana at one time held NWA Tag Team title. A rough, tough, workman he has been very successful in California rings.

Doc. and Mike Gallagher hung up another tag team victory over the surprised Brunetti Brothers, Joe and Guy. This was a brawl all the way through with the Gallaghers continuing to show their vaunted power after the three lickings they handed to the Miller Brothers, Big Bill and Ed. Joe Brunetti fell victim to a solid body slam and press supplied by Doc. Gallagher.

Other bouts saw Fred Atkins in a draw decision against Reggie Lisowski while Stan Lisowski pinned Irish Mike Clancy to complete a card which Buffalo fans will talk about for a long time. The show was a feather in Pedro Martinez's spring borsalino. It was the climax of the 1958-59 season.

Fans in the East have been astonished by the great performances of Gene Stanlee since his return from a world tour. The Golden Boy is said to be better than ever as he has piled up victory after victory against the best. Stanlee has one of the most lavish wardrobes in existence. He has 50 jackets which were especially designed by one of Hollywood's most famous costumers. They cost from $250 to $1,000 each, and he never wears the same jacket more than

once in the same ring. He also possesses 15 beautiful stone-studded belts and is the proud owner of a crown of diamonds, pearls and many other precious stones all set in costly gold and velvet. Glamorous—you said it.

Fritz von Erich, the 265 pound Teuton from Berlin, Germany is using a leap off the top ropes to land on an opponent for victory. The maneuver is the same one which was used by Tarzan Kowalski in a hectic Montreal bout and which tore off a portion of Yukon Eric's left ear. Von Erich claims the hold is a legitimate one and that it is up to his opponents to offer resistance against the hold. Otherwise, he says he is within his rights to use it. Von Erich and promoters throughout the country have been at odds over the hold, but the German continues to use it as his main weapon in victory. In both Canada and New York State, Von Erich has put opponents in the hospital with this controversial leap off the ropes. One was Bobby Brown who took the full force of the blow directly on his throat, and was out of action for 10 days.

At one time Von Erich and his former tag team partner, Karl von Schober held the Canadian Open Tag Team Championship. Fritz split with von Schober on the west coast and has been going alone ever since. A recent bout with Bobo Brazil in Buffalo, N. Y. saw both participants pull out all the stops in a sensational match. Brazil was disqualified when he knocked referee Cuppy Cuprino from the ring with one of his Ko Ko Butts. It was a bout which had to be stopped by Marty Moscato's ringside police when Brazil went completely beserk. It was one of the roughest bouts of the season.

Memories. . . . The only wrestler who ever defeated the late French Angel (Marcel Tillet) twice was the estimable Marve Westenberg, who was in his heyday when Joe Savoldi and Ed Don George were reviving a lagging sport with their sensational flying drop kicks. The two victories happened in Buffalo, N. Y. Westenberg saw a powerful man in the French Angel. He also saw a comparative frail pair of legs was carrying the heavy Frenchman. Westenberg made those legs his target and worked on them with a vengeance. It brought about the two defeats against Tillet when he was considered unbeatable. Wrestling fans marveled at Westenberg's victories. It was one time when a wrestler's weak point was discovered, and it paid off in victory and plenty of well paying engagements for Westenberg.

In Hamilton, Canada, some of the wrestling programs are held in the Municipal building. Beneath the ring is a swimming pool. We cannot forget the night Ray Eckert, who wrestled in Canada and the East a decade ago as Sandy O'Donnell opposed the gigantic Pole Iron Talun. During a scrimmage in a corner of the ring, Eckert hoisted the big fellow over the top ropes into the drink below. The fans got a rise out of that situation but it almost became a tragedy. When Talun hit the water he started to sink rapidly to the bottom. He was finally pulled out gasping for breath. Only then it became known that the grappler couldn't swim.

Remember when Ed Don George and Jim Londos wrestled to a draw for three and one half hours, in Boston they were both so exhausted at the end that both of them required a week to fully recuperate.

The writer wishes to thank all of the fans who have written to him with reference to various articles.

WRESTLING FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.
By Mike Geary

Vince McMahon of Washington's Capital Arena has been going great guns with his wrestling troop throughout the mid-atlantic states and the home town crowd is strictly full-house at Capitol.

The special shows at Uline Arena pack in crowds of up to 7000. Recent local results show the folowing:

In the main event at Capitol it was Antonino Rocca in two straight fast falls over Tokyo Joe. The Graham Brothers won in the usual wild melee over Red Bastien and Duke Hoffman and the popular team of Donn Lewin and Johnny Barend defeated Chris Averoff and Crying Bob Corby. Abe Jacobs defeated Tom Bradley and The Mighty Jumbo beat Arnold Skoaland.

On another show at the Capitol in the main event it was Antonino Rocca who took on Karl Von Hess and Miguel Torres and won a one fall match. Donn Lewin and Johnny Barend beat Tom Bradley and Jan Madrid. The Shiek defeated Jarque. Mighty Jumbo won over Chris Averoff and Duke Hoffman beat John Vansky.

At Uline Arena in a special Vince McMahon card and before a crowd of 6000 Washington wrestling fans, it was Rocca again in the main-go who won over Gene Stanlee after 16 minutes and 25 seconds with a series of dropkicks. . . . Mark Lewin and Don Curtis retained their tag-team title in defeating the brothers Jerry and Eddie Graham in a wild crowd-pleaser that went to the champions via the disqualification route. . . . Haystacks Calhoun and Red Bastien, fast becoming a popular team around these parts, beat The Mighty Jumbo and The Shiek in another devastating brawl. . . . The Zebra Kid teaming with Tokyo Joe took a schellacking from Donn Lewin and Johnny Barend and on the distaff side the team of Mae Young and Gloria Barratini defeated Kim Mira and Barbara Baker.

And at the Capitol Arena, Jerry and Eddie Graham won the feature attraction in a tag team match over Donn Lewin and Johnny Barend. In other matches Little Eagle and Chief Big Heart beat Jack Vansky and Bob Corby. Gloria Barratini and Mae Young beat Kim Mira and Barbara Baker in a return match. Red Bastien pinned John Swenski and the Mighty Jumbo won over Jan Madrid.

SOUTHERN WRESTLING NEWS
By Gene Gordon

Again The Great Bolo defeated Larry Hamilton in a main even at Charlotte's Park Center. The masked Phantom, as mysterious as anyone who ever crawled into the ring has succeeded in keeping his identity unknown.

Ornery Duke Keomuka found Indian Billy Two Rivers a real warrior on the war path, but finally won over the well liked Mohawk from Canada by putting on the pressure with a sleeper hold. Keomuka attempted to help Referee Johnny Heidman revive Billy but changed his mind and began to start the hold all over again. This enraged Referee Heidman who got a choke hold on Keomuka and threw the Japanese star clear across the ring.

The sensational Torres Bros., Al and Enrique had a very rough evening with newcomer to this area Jim (Bull) Wright and rugged Mike Paidousis. The clever Latins used their speed and general mat knowledge to win the toughest battle they have had against Paidousis, former Tennessee football star and the roughie "Bull" Wright who hails from Phoenix, Arizona. Classy Cyclone Anaya won a thrilling bout in the opening preliminary go over colorful and rugged Jack Donovan. Promoted by Jim Crockett. Well known grapplers returning to the Carolinas after an absence are Antone (Ripper) Leone and Big Duke Eakins, the Kentucky Wildcat. Both made a good impression while campaigning in the Carolinas last year and racked up a large number of wins. Eakins, hailing from the wilds of Harlan County, a Kentucky coal mining section, has been on tour throughout the states where he has built a reputation to be envied. The massive Kentuckian has flattened many opponents with his rough and rowdy style. Wrestling in the Carolinas is really booming and besides weekly matches in Charlotte, shows are now being held in Raleigh, Wilmington, Hickory, Lenoir, Morganton, Lexington, Granite Falls, and other nearby smaller towns. Yes, the mat sport is really thriving in the South. Its a hotbed for wrestling, the number one sports attraction the year round.

Pat O'Connor successfully defended his World Heavyweight Championship in Birmingham, Ala. defeating Rough and Rugged Freddy Blassie.

LONDON'S LONG STAY ENCOURAGED JOHANSSON

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"The champion does well with his quick combinations. He hurt London several times with his right-left-right punches. I don't think he will do so much with those against me. I shall prepare against them."

It was such a combination that brought a delayed action knockdown in the tenth round, the one that prepared the fans for the end.

Lou Viscusi, manager of Roy Harris, commenting on London's showing, said that he should fit into the heavyweight picture. *"I have offered him a fight with Harris in Houston,"* said Lou, *"and if he wins that one, I'll pit him against Zora Folley. There are three opponents he can get if he cares to remain in the States. I don't think he did a bad job. Any one who can stay more than eight rounds with Patterson, must be given proper credit.*

"It would have been better for London as a future attraction here if he had tossed more punches instead of retaining a defensive style throughout the fight, but he did far better than his own people in England had expected."

There was no doubt from the time that London started training for the championship match about his intentions. He wanted to avenge what he termed an insult of the British boxing moguls who declared him an unsuitable opponent for Patterson, and to do so, he adopted his special defense, something the British reporters covering the fight said he had never before done. He succeeded in gaining his objective.

He landed only half a dozen hard punches, one of which, in the fifth round, an overhand right, snapped back Floyd's head. That was the only round he won on the score sheet of any official and of most writers.

It took Patterson eight rounds to break through the defense of the challenger. Then as the fight wore on, Patterson's body punishment took its toll. London's lantern jaw, a perfect target for a knockout blow, became more vulnerable and as Floyd struck that target, he jarred Brian's head.

The end was in sight following the barrage delivered by the champion in the tenth in which Brian went down in a neutral corner from the most decisive smash of the fight. It was a right uppercut that struck the Blackpool boy high on the cheek and spun the Britisher into a corner, where the champion quickly followed up the attack.

London, under a blistering barrage, dropped to his knee in which position he rested while Referee Frank Sikora counted up to five. Then the bell came to the Britisher's rescue. He walked steadily to his corner but the knockdown cued the crowd for what quickly followed when the bell sent the pair into action for the eleventh round.

Only fifty-one more seconds remained and the fight was over. A left hook was responsible. It struck London on the side of the head and sent him across the ring. He landed with a crash, stunned. He lay quivering, first on his back then he twisted over on his side with face resting in his arms.

The ten count over, Patterson was the winner by a knockout. But the cheers that normally greet such a performance, failed to develop.

Instead, jeers, boos and catcalls rent the air while Patterson stood in the ring somewhat bewildered at the unfriendly display from the crowd of 10,088 that had paid $122,885 to see the first championship bout in any division yet staged in Indiana.

The champion was outweighed 26¼ pounds, the most any title holder has given away to a challenger. Floyd scaled 182¼ to 208 for his opponent, but the huge weight advantage didn't benefit the Briton.

Referee Sikora, imported from Chicago, gave Floyd every round. He scored it 50 to 34. Judge Marshall Baumgartner gave the third to Brian and called the seventh even. His tally was 49 to 40. Judge Kelse McClure had the third even, the remainder all for the champion and the score 50 to 40.

INGEMAR JOHANSSON MANY SIDED CHARACTER

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will be his mother. She is a very clever woman. He knows that and will always consult her when something big is coming up. Ingemar's friend and adviser Ahlquist is another whom Ingemar trusts.

I had lunch with Jack Dempsey one day and he asked me to bring Ingemar as soon as possible. Jack told me to tell Ingemar to bring the whole family, that he would love to have them for dinner. Johansson had told me that there was one person he really liked to meet and that was Dempsey.

I didn't have to tell Ingemar twice to go to see Dempsey. Johansson's father had one big hero in the sport-world and that was Dempsey. (Besides Ingemar, of course).

Ingemar, his father and two brothers went to see Jack and they had a big time. When Ingemar and Dempsey went outside the restaurant to take pictures, the traffic stopped on Broadway. Ingemar never reads about himself in the papers. Sometimes he looks at the headlines, but that is about all.

Ingemar has all along thought a lot of Floyd Patterson. He thinks that Floyd is a nice fellow and a credit to boxing.

However, no matter how Johansson rated Patterson as an influence for good on boxing and a fine man, he never expressed any doubt to me that he could beat the American.

Johansson became more convinced than ever that he could win the title after he had seen Patterson take eleven rounds to stop Brian London.

SEEN & HEARD IN N. Y.

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donado, 134, Puerto; Marcus Morales, 127, Puerto, drew with Jimmy Gorman, 127, Paterson, N. J., and Jackie Smith, 130, Harlem, divided honors with Al Dublin, 130½, Brooklyn. Despite miserable rainy weather, the show did surprisingly good business, 1,545 clients contributing $3,492 to the box-office.

▶Dropping his opponent, Clay Thomas, 173½, Brooklyn, with the first punch he threw, it looked for a few fleeting moments as though Jim Boyd, 174, Rocky Mount, N.C., would post the fastest knockout in Sunnyside Garden ring history. The bout hadn't gone ten seconds when Thomas was sent sprawling for the count of nine. The Brooklynite rallied from that near-disastrous beginning, however, and in the last round of their six he squared accounts by flooring Boyd. It was a nip-and-tuck affair all the way and the draw decision seemed fair enough. The bout topped a "young talent" card of sixes and fours. In the semi-final six, Walter Taylor, 132½, Washington, D.C., outfought George Quinones, 127, Bronx.

In fours, John Knight, 185, Philadelphia, beat Louis Jones, 194, Bronx; Willie Snead, 128, Harlem, decisioned Tommy Haden, 129, Brooklyn; Ronnie Porambo, 145, Newark, won from John McGowan, 146, Long Island City; Lionel Butler, 139, Harlem, drew with Herberito Rivera, 140, Puerto Rico, and Leroy Holmes, 156, Brooklyn, accounted for the only knockout of the night by halting Pat Flannery, 158, West Side, in the first. The attendance looked to be about 1,000, with the gate hitting around $1,800.

▶Adding to his unbeaten string, Eddie Jordan, 145½, Brooklyn, made it 17 wins against three draws by taking a close but unanimous decision from Bill Flamio, 150, Bronx, in an unspectacular ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Flamio fought in his usual aggressive style but Jordan was too shifty on defense and too accurate with his countering left jabs and hooks. In a pair of sixes, Tommy Della Rocco, 159½, Buffalo, N. Y., drew with Jimmy Landron, 155½, Puerto Rico, and Arthur Cunningham, 144, Bronx, stopped Willie Johnson, 146, Newark, N. J., at 1:29 of the first. In fours, Richie Fischetti, 130½, Brooklyn, outpointed Osvaldo Terante, 131, Argentina; Joe Gonzales, 151, Puerto Rico, won from Watson Williams, 147½, Harlem, and Louis Jones, 195, Bronx, survived a rugged final round to edge out a split decision over Richie Pittman, 189½, Pittsburgh. No official statistics were released, but the attendance was estimated at 1,200 and the gross receipts about $2,500.

▶Upsets, which have been the rule rather than the exception at St. Nicholas Arena, continued when youthful Victor Salazar, 160½, Argentina, pounded out a decision over Canadian champion Wilfie Greaves, 163, Edmonton, in a hard-punching international middleweight ten. In his last three previous appearances at St. Nick's, Salazar had been outpointed twice by Benny (Kid) Paret and held to a draw by Joe Lissy, and he figured to be a fairly easy victim for the more experienced Greaves. The Argentino, however, displayed remarkably improved form in outfighting the Canadian. Lanky Salazar made good use of his long reach to keep the aggressive Greaves at long range most of the way, and peppering him with left jabs and hooks. Giving his unexpected victory an ideal finish, Salazar turned loose a two-handed assault in the last minute of the fight to batter Greaves to the canvas and have him staggering at the final bell. Bartolo Soni, 176, Dominican Republic, drew with Ray Batey, 191, East Elmhurst, in the semi-final. Al Milone, 157, Coney Island, outfought Angelo Allegue, 159, East Side, in another six. In fours, Joe Rubino, 158½, Brooklyn, won from Leroy Steele, 163, Bronx; Clyde Washington, 147¼, Brooklyn, outpointed Gaylord Barnes, 151, Long Island City, and Johnny McGowan, 148, Astoria, was credited with a kayo over Johnny Quiles, 146½, Bronx, when their bout was halted at the end of the second. Attendance 1,202; gross receipts $2,569.90.

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THE HEAVY-HEAVY HITTER

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In his first fight with Jeffries, Corbett was well ahead on points at the end of the 22nd round. He seemed destined to regain the crown, a thing no former champion has accomplished, when bouncing off the ropes, he ran into Jeffries' left. What Corbett remembered next was asking: "What happened?"

Defending the title against Fitzsimmons in Carson City, Nevada, Corbett dropped his challenger in the sixth round. He did it with a left hook, and in falling, Fitz clutched the champion's legs. Referee George Siler untangled them before starting to count.

Ever afterwards, Jim claimed he was the victim of a long count, the first in ring history.

As everybody knows, Fitz got up to win the title in the fourteenth with his famed "solar plexus" punch, a left to the pit of the stomach. Here was no weakness of the chin. The blow paralyzed Corbett, and while he was aware of the count, he couldn't move his legs.

Gene Tunney was never off his feet until the famed "Battle of the Long Count." It was at Chicago when Gene was meeting Jack Dempsey a second time. As he had in Philadelphia, Tunney was outpointing the Manassa Mauler. Then in the seventh round, Dempsey got through with a left hook to the jaw. Six more blows followed and Gene crumbled to the canvas.

In the next round, the eighth, Tunney, his mind clear again, dropped Dempsey to a knee with a right to the jaw.

Tunny had a strong jaw, yet he went down. So did Dempsey, but those who saw Luis Angel Firpo knock Jack out of the ring, will never forget it. What few remember was Dempsey was also knocked down by the first punch of the fight. Firpo met his opening rush with a jolting right hand uppercut. It dropped Jack to his knees.

Jess Willard was so big, the claim was nobody could hurt him. Nobody did until Dempsey cut him down at Toledo, breaking his jaw, and winning the title. Before he was destroyed by Dempsey, Jess had stood over Jack Johnson after knocking him out in the 26th round, and had smothered Frank Moran's right, his mighty "Mary Ann."

Johnson may have been the cleverest of all heavyweight champions. Beyond a doubt he was the best defensive fighter to hold the title. He was boxing beautifully, defending the crown against Stanley Ketchel, the middleweight champion.

In the 12th round the hard-hitting Ketchel saw an opening. The temptation was too much. He unloaded a right and Johnson went down. He was up without a count, and with two fast punches, a left followed by a right, knocked Ketchel out.

When Johnson caught up with Tommy Burns, who succeeded Jeffries as champion on the latter's retirement, he knocked down the Canadian with the first punch. That was in far off Australia. Burns was beaten so badly the police stopped the fight in the 14th round.

Max Schmeling was a terrific right hand puncher as he proved in his first fight with Louis. Nobody knocked Schmeling down when he was on top until the heavy-handed Baer stopped him. In a return with Louis, this time with the title on the line, the German was flattened in 2.04 of the first frame.

So if Patterson has been knocked down, and he has, he is no different than the others. Tunney hit the canvas, and in the end so did Jeffries. Dempsey was knocked over the top rope onto the apron of the ring by Firpo and Buddy Baer did the same to Joe Louis.

It isn't that heavyweight champions have weak chins. None of them did, but each time they fought, they were facing big men, all capable of punching hard. When the blow landed, something had to give.

Seen and Heard in new york:

By JERSEY JONES

THE weirdest chapter ever written into the history of the world heavyweight championship has ended, but its strange fragrance will continue to linger.

Checking back into the day-by-day developments in the recent Floyd Patterson-Brian London get-together in Indianapolis, the whole story seems utterly fantastic.

It all began after Patterson had signed to defend his title against Ingemar Johansson here in New York. In the contracts for that bout, Floyd was permitted to engage in one "tune-up" affair, while Ingemar was not.

Out of Buffalo came a dispatch that Patterson's "tune-up" would be with the Britisher, London. No promoter or date was specified. Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, refused to comment.

Suddenly, a mysterious character with the illustrious name of Cecil Rhodes, Jr., and calling himself a "prominent New Jersey industrialist" (although we had difficulty locating anybody who'd ever heard of him) projected himself into the scene. Mr. Rhodes had taken over the promotion of the Patterson-London affair, but the site would be Las Vegas, not Buffalo.

With the Gillette safety-razor crowd as sponsor, the National Broadcasting Company announced it was paying $225,000 for the television rights. London was guaranteed $75,000, plus transportation and all expenses for himself, father and brother.

Mr. Rhodes then decided that Indianapolis, not Las Vegas, would be the battleground. The N.B.C. promptly reduced the TV fee to $200,000. London's guarantee was sliced proportionately to $60,000.

With Mr. Rhodes properly reimbursed, and the various promotional expenses and taxes deducted, Patterson's end would comprise what was left of the TV revenue and the gate receipts.

As suddenly as he had entered the scene, Mr. Rhodes departed. The story was that a rule of the Indiana State Athletic Commission stipulated that a promoter, to receive a license, must have had a legal residence in the state for three years.

Al Farb, a local operator, was designated as the new promoter, with technical advice and assistance from Bill Rosensohn, the entrepreneur of the forthcoming Patterson-Johansson affair.

Mr. Rhodes announced that, for withdrawing from the Indianapolis venture and releasing his TV rights, he had collected $55,000 from the N.B.C., leaving $145,000 for the promotion. Tom Gallery, sports director of the N.B.C., said he knew nothing about it.

A D'AMATO PRODUCTION.

London and his clan arrived in New York. Greeted at the airport by curious New York writers, they had "nothing to say." The scribes were advised that London's lawyer would issue any statements for him. London's lawyer, it developed, also was D'Amato's.

The visiting troupe checked into a New York hotel under assumed names. They couldn't be located by the newsmen. A few days later it was learned that the Britisher was training in D'Amato's Gramercy Park gymnasium. The doors were locked and no "outsiders" were allowed in. One of D'Amato's henchman, Nick Baffi, had been assigned to train London, and Dusty Rhodes, a Patterson sparmate, was acting in a similar capacity for the visitor.

Everything was so bewilderingly mysterious that until two weeks before the bout there was considerable speculation whether or not the affair actually would be staged.

The program assumed a more rational complexion when the combined troupes moved to Indianapolis. There were the routine public workouts by the principals and the usual interviews with all parties concerned.

Since the bout was supposed to be merely a "tune-up" for Patterson, nobody expected London to win. Still, strange things do have a habit of happening in this uncertain trade, and Arthur Daley, brilliant sports columnist of the New York *Times*, asked Brian's father, Jack London, a former British champion himself, what he would do if his son should "get lucky."

Jack seemed nonplussed for the moment, groping for the proper answer. Shrugging his shoulders, he finally mumbled: *"Get drunk, I guess."*

At any rate, with all the strange shenanigans that had been going on, the affair attracted a surprisingly good turnout of 10,088 clients to the Indianapolis Fair Grounds Colliseum, with the gross receipts reaching a highly satisfactory $122,800.

HIGHLY-PAID SPARMATE.

Americans had heard that London was a brawling type of slugger, aggressive and a stiff puncher. His one chance of winning seemed to be to pile right into Patterson, swinging both fists, and hoping for the best.

He did nothing of the sort. Instead, he tried to box, and the D'Amato influence was all too evident. The Britisher actually tried to imitate Patterson's bobbing, weaving, peek-a-boo style. He was awkward and clumsy at it. He made few aggressive gestures, and his occasional left jabs and infrequent right swings had little, if any, authority behind them. London seemed afraid of hurting Patterson, and was in the ring merely to sop up punishment and give Floyd plenty of target practice in the "tune-up" he wanted for Johansson.

Well, one thing must be said for the Britisher. At $60,000, plus expenses, he became the highest-priced punching bag in punching-bag history.

Along with getting the "tune-up" he wanted, Patterson

did all right, financially, for himself and D'Amato. Unofficial statistics said they collected about $161,000 for Floyd's gymnasium workout.

"MA" STRIBLING PASSES.

Mrs. Lillie ("Ma") Stribling, 72, died recently in Miami, and with her passing went the third member of one of the most colorful family combinations this sock market has ever known.

The only survivor of the quartet is the younger son, Herbert (dubbed "Baby"), whose fighting career was considerably less distinguished than that of Billy, Jr., or "W. L." as the family called him.

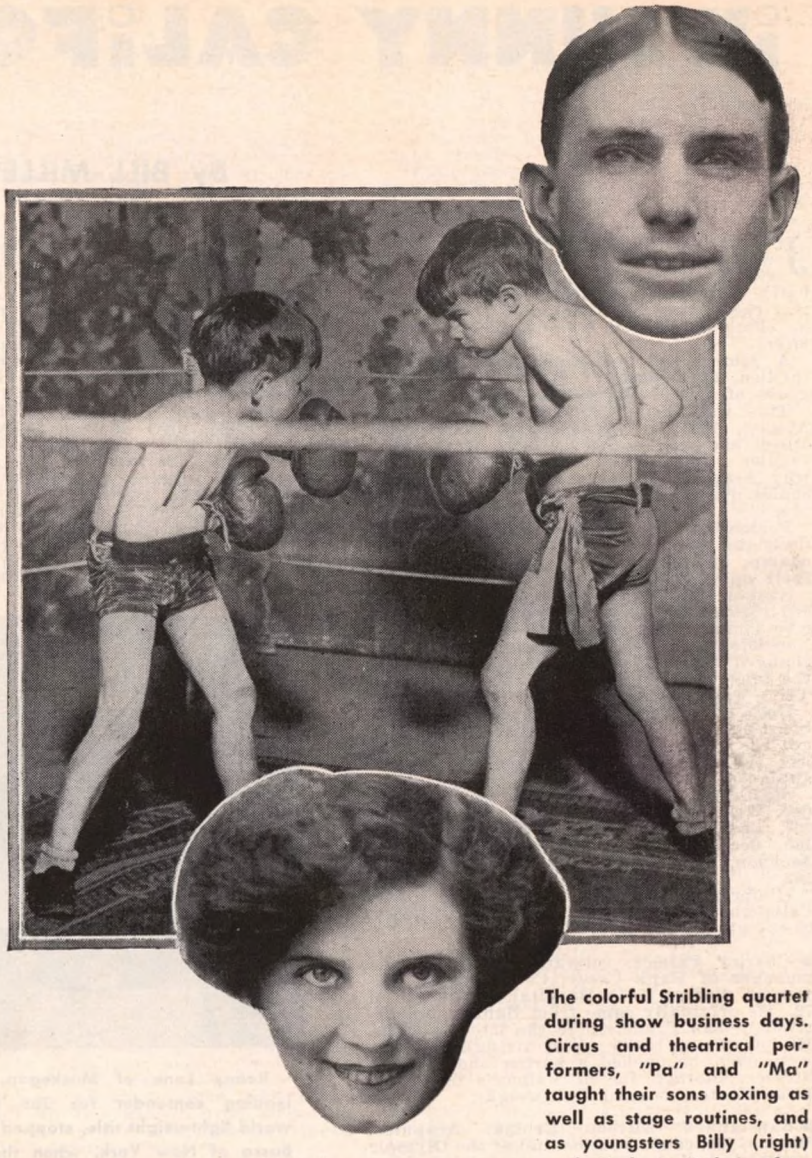
Mrs. Stribling and her husband, William Lawrence ("Pa") Stribling, Sr., moved from Macon, Ga., to Florida shortly after Billy, Jr., was fatally injured in a motorcycle crash in 1933 . "Pa" died about five years ago.

The Striblings had been circus and theatrical performers before Billy, Jr., and Baby decided on boxing careers. They carried their show business training with them into the prize-ring. Touring the highways and byways of the nation, they specialized in one-night stands, particularly in the south, where Billy was a tremendous attraction.

The Striblings were a busy and much-travelled troupe. No city, town or hamlet was too big or too small for them. It was the late Damon Runyon who tacked the label "King of the Cane Breaks" on Billy.

Billy began as a bantamweight in 1921 and fought successively in every division up to and including heavyweight. In thirteen years, he packed in 286 bouts, and was credited with having posted a total of 127 knockouts.

During the last few years of Billy's ring activity, the Striblings expanded their lively junketing to Europe, South Africa and Australia. It was estimated that during W. L.'s ubiquitious leather-tossing career, the clan covered more than 250,000 miles of land and water, the equivalent of ten complete trips around the world.



The colorful Stribling quartet during show business days. Circus and theatrical performers, "Pa" and "Ma" taught their sons boxing as well as stage routines, and as youngsters Billy (right) and Herbert (Baby) often appeared in exhibitions.

AROUND THE RING.

Reports have it that Jack Barrett, recently replaced by Teddy Brenner as Madison Square Garden matchmaker, has joined Gus D'Amato's forces. It's about time D'Amato added a professional touch to his organization. Barrett is an experienced hand in this industry, and he did a fine job during his seven years in the Garden, first as Billy Brown's assistant, then as Brown's successor when Billy resigned.

Lahouari Godih, shifty French-Algerian lightweight, currently campaigning in the United States, has been named by the European Boxing Union as No. 1 entry in the scramble for the European 135-pound title, vacated by Duilio Loi when he acquired the continent's welterweight laurels. Godih, training again in New York after a recent spell of illness, is ready to return across the Atlantic as soon as the E.B.U. selects his opponent and sets the date and site for the title match. Meanwhile, Godih would like another crack at Kenny Lane, the leading contender for the world championship. Last year Lahouari dropped a split, highly disputed decision to Lane in Syracuse. Before he was taken ill, Godih turned in a sparkling exhibition in beating Eddie Perkins in Washington.

Miami Beach is noted as a pleasure resort but large Lou Viscusi hasn't been enjoying his recent visits there. Within the last seven months, all three of Lou's ring aces were trumped in national TV appearances in Chris Dundee's fight emporium. First, lightweight champion Joe Brown was unexpectedly beaten by Johnny Busso in a non-title affair; then featherweight Paul Jorgensen had an unbeaten 31-bout streak shattered by Harold Gomes and, finally, Cleveland Williams, the heavyweight of whom Viscusi had been expecting so much, was wrecked by Sonny Liston. From a professional standpoint, Lou is convinced that the climate in Houston, Texas, is much healthier than it is in Miami Beach.

THE month's results:

For the second time in a month a substitute for Randy Sandy tossed an unexpected lacing into Cuban middleweight Benny (Kid) Paret at St. Nicholas Arena. Picking up where Cecil Shorts left off in the previous affair, Eddie (Machine Gun) Thompson, 157½, St. Albans, edged out Paret, 157½, in a lively ten. Off to a slow start and trailing by a wide margin at the end of three rounds, Thompson got going in the fourth and from then to the finish his awkward, bustling aggressiveness was too much for the flashy Cuban. Paret displayed good footwork and snappy punching combinations, but he couldn't maintain the dizzy pace set by Thompson and his fighting was mainly in flurries. The Cuban's big early lead was gradually whittled down, and it was anybody's fight going into the final round. Thompson cinched the decision by his furious finish. Larry Jones, 150½, Harlem, outpointed Obdulio Nunez, 150½, Puerto Rico, in the semi-final six. In a batch of fours, Jimmy Landron, 156½, Puerto Rico, won from Al Milone, 156½, Coney Island; Joe Rubino, 163½, Bronx, decisioned a borough rival, Eskill Emerson, 164; Leverette Coleman, 156½, West Side, had the better of Julius Owens, 157½, Harlem, and Marcos Morales, 125½, Puerto Rico, whipped Anee Smith, 130¼, Brooklyn. The attendance was 1,430 and the gross receipts $3,017.92.

▶ Continuing his winning campaign against minor opposition, Jose Torres, 164½, current darling of the local Puerto Ricans, made it twelve straight as a pro, and tenth via kayo, by pounding the veteran Joe Shaw, 163, Harlem, into near-collapse at 2:40 of the fifth at Sunnyside Garden. The usual sellout crowd, composed mainly of Torres' hysterical followers, was reported as 2,470 and the gross gate as $5,200. Torres was unable to floor his opponent at any time, but his steady battering gradually weakened Shaw and the veteran was helpless on his feet when Referee Harry Ebbets called a halt. A Torres stablemate, Paul Wright, 175, Flint, Mich., also was a winner, outpointing Eddie Vick, 183½, Rochester, N. Y., in the semi-final six. Another Torres stablemate, Gray Gauvin, 146, Brooklyn, won from J. S. Watson, 143, Long Island City, in four. In a trio of other fours, Ray Batey, 190, Corona, decisioned Tommy Selkirk, 186, Brooklyn; Ruben Santana, 143, Brooklyn, outfought Herberito Rivera, 139, Puerto Rico, and Jose Ramon Gonzalez, 154, Puerto Rico, had the better of Jimmy Lynn, 155, Harlem.

▶ Another fast-rising youngster, Emile Griffith, 148¾, West Side, ran his pro winning skein to eleven straight by outspeeding Mel Barker, 150, Austin, Tex., in a busy ten at St. Nicholas Arena. The transplanted Virgin Islander and 1958 Golden Gloves champion displayed fine all-around talents in beating the aggressive and more experienced Texan. Griffith not only boxed well but uncovered a neat variety of punches, scoring with jabs, uppercuts and fast combinations to the head and body. His most effective weapon was a snappy left hook at both long and short range. Barker was warned for hitting low in the second and for elbowing and leaning on Griffith in the fourth. Sid Lugo, 137, Brooklyn, outpointed Jessie Watson, 139½, also of Brooklyn, in the semi-final six. Vernon Lynch, 129¾, Brooklyn, decisioned Clifton Bradley, 129¼, Philadelphia, in another six. In fours, Benny Gordon, 135¾, won from Tony Mal-

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

JOE MICELI, happy-go-lucky New Yorker, was 5-1 underdog when he entered the ring at Hollywood Legion Stadium to do battle with Art (Golden Guy) Aragon. He was the winner by unanimous verdict when he climbed out, ten furious, bloody rounds later.

A jam-packed house of well over 6,000 thrilled, enthusiastic customers had paid a gross of $15,100, to see the fight.

This was their second meeting. Back in August, 1955, at the Olympic Auditorium, Miceli had won decisively over Aragon in a thriller. Hence it is difficult to understand why Aragon should have been installed 5-1 choice over a man who had triumphed over him.

Perhaps it was because Aragon held two decisions over Don Jordan, current welter champ, and Jordan had defeated Miceli in their only meeting.

Aragon was down twice, in the 1st and 3rd; Miceli was down twice, also, but Referee Tommy Hart refused to rule them clean knockdowns. For ten rounds they exchanged blows viciously; most of the time the fans were on their feet, cheering madly. There was a terrific ovation after each round.

Both boys were cut, bruised, gashed and bleeding at the finish, and Aragon, the loser, got the greatest ovation of his career as he left the ring. Miceli, too, got thunderous applause.

Semi-final, 6 rounds: Eddie Jones, 152½, dec. Walt Tyler, 151; the fours: Willie Bell, 167, dec. Willie Barnes, 166; Coties Pace, 135, dec. Joe Armstrong, 136; and Eddie Jackson, 187, KO (1) over Kenny Hayden, 192.

(Referee Tommy Hart, 89-88; Judge Mushy Callahan, 92-90; and Judge George Latka, 93-89—all for Miceli.)

▶ Charley Palmer, veteran ring figure and manager of Hank Casey, California middleweight, died at U. C. Hospital, at the age of 72. He originally came from Buffalo, but arrived in San Francisco in the late Twenties. He boxed as a banty; after his fighting days were over, he opened a barber shop on 6th Street. Another one of Palmer's boys was Luke Easter, rugged lightweight.

▶ Sun-tanned Alfredo Urbina, Acapulco, Mexico, 131, came from behind at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A., to score a surprising upset over the veteran Gil Cadilli, 130, before a crowd estimated at 2,000. Urbina, who battled a draw with classy Jimmy Hornsby a couple of weeks earlier, was 2-1 underdog.

It was a split decision. Judge Frankie Van voted 95-95, a draw; he was over-ruled by Referee John Thomas, 96-95, and Judge Frank Holborow, 98-94.

In Round 4, Urbina exploded; dropped Cadilli for a count of 7, and had him in real trouble. In the last two rounds, Cadilli tried desperately to overcome Urbina's margin, but it was "too little and too late".

Ramon Sarmiento, 120½, took a 6-round decision over Abe Villa, 116, in a good, fast scrap. The four-rounders: Raul Elizalde, 120, dec. Sandy Garcia, 115½; Robert Anderson, 153½, KO (2) over Leo King, 150; and Eddie Baker, Jr., 139, dec. Robert Walker, 141½.

▶ Most readers of The Ring must have seen that nationally televised scrap between Kenny Lane, 139, Muskegon, Mich., and Johnny Busso, 141, of New York, two of the foremost contenders for Joe Brown's lightweight title. Scene of action was Hollywood Legion Stadium.

Not to keep you in suspense, Lane won by TKO in the 6th round. Despite the fact that it was locally televised, and the main event went on at 7 p. m., a crowd of 2,500 paid a gross of $4,350 to see the tiff.

Wily old Jack Kearns, king of ballyhoo, was in Lane's corner, and though he was not as nimble-footed as he was in days of yore, his enthusiasm was as young as ever when he was interviewed by L. A. sports scribes after the fight. The old Doctor still makes excellent copy.

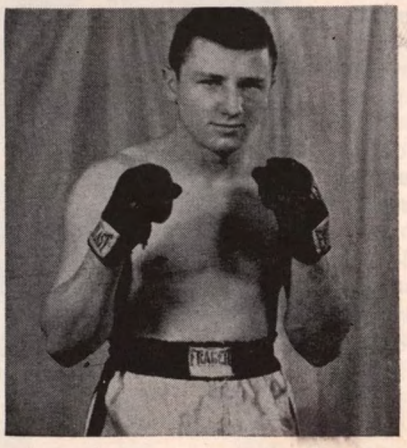
As for the fight itself—Lane, the shifty southpaw, was master of the situation throughout. He was an elusive target, and his right hand worked like a piston. Busso was obviously befuddled by Lane's style. His left eye was beginning to swell as early as the first round; by Round 3 it was shut tight. There was actually only five rounds of scrapping; Busso's corner asked Referee Mushy Callahan to halt hostilities when it was obvious that his eye sadly handicapped his efforts.

When the gong sounded for Round 6, Busso failed to come out of his corner and the referee had no alternative but to stop it.

The fours: Fred MacMurray, 210, dec. Eddie Jackson, 190; Silvestre Villareal, 143, dec. Robert Walker, 143½; Raul Elizalde, 120, dec. Kenny Yamaoka, 120; and John Smith, 154½, TKO (2) over Baby Ike, 151.

▶ Joey Lopes, Sacramento, 133¾, romped to a one-sided technical kayo victory over Noel Humphries, Los Angeles, 130, at Richmond Auditorium when Referee Johnny Lotsy stopped the fight in the 9th round.

There were no knockdowns, but Humphries was so far out of contention that the arbiter halted hostilities. Gross receipts: $2,026.50.



Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., leading contender for Joe Brown's world lightweight title, stopped Johnny Busso of New York, when the latter failed to come out for the sixth round of their bout at Hollywood Legion Stadium.

In the semi-final, billed for six, newcomer Jack Moretti, 125, who now makes his home in San Francisco, scored a 3-round TKO over Ronnie Perez, 126. In another six, Charlie Smith, 143, scored three knockdowns over Joe Boy Charles, 144, to win all by himself. The four-round opener between Carl Franklin, 189, and Len Casanova, 176, was called a draw.

▶ Rocky Kalingo of the Philippines, billed as the welterweight champion of the Orient, racked up his second straight U. S. win at Stockton's Civic Memorial Auditorium, trouncing Abe Haynes by unanimous decision. On hand a small "crowd" estimated at 1,000. The gross gate: $1,751.

In the six-round semi, Benny Casing, 120, scored his fifth straight win at the expense of Joe Rios, 121, San Diego. Casing, Stockton Filipino, knocked out his first four opponents. In the four-round opener, John Bermudez, Stockton, 132, dropped the duke to George Page, 132, Sacramento. In another prelim the purse of Al Gomez, 179, Sacramento, was held up when Cleo Frazier, 165½, Stockton, knocked him out in 1:55 of the first round. It was slated for six.

▶ A newspaper strike in San Jose prevents a full report of the Joey Padilla-Kid Javellana light weight scrap in that city. Padilla won, thereby reversing the only defeat of his pro record: 16 fights. Kid Javellana, Philippines, had scored a 7-round kayo over Padilla last year, in Joey's fifth pro scrap. Padilla, 138; Javellana, 137½.

Ray Riojas, Fort Worth, 137½, was 3½ to 1 choice over young Eddie Pace, 139, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and he scored a 7th round knockout over the Santa Monica boy. On hand, about 2,000.

Riojas, billed as the lightweight champion of Texas, had too much experience for the kid who recently broke Lauro Salas' winning streak down in San Bernardino.

This was Pace's 11th pro fight, his second main event. He was in over his head against a wily, vastly more-experienced foe. Eddie suffered severe punishment and in the 6th his left eye was the size of an Idaho potato.

In the 6-round semi, Kildo Nunez, 136, dec. Chuck Whittaker, 135; the four-rounders: Jeff Jones, 160, dec. James Shorty, 159; Silvestre Villareal, 143, dec. Rafael Gutierrez, 142; and Ollie Galloway, 135, dec. Coties Pace, 134½.

▶ Down in San Diego, Nacho Escalante, 119, won a tight-fit, disputed verdict over classy Ward Yee, the Chinese boy from Pasadena, 120, in a fast and furious 10-rounder.

In the companion ten, Dillard Jackson, 158, Los Angeles, knocked out Nolan Davis, 159½, San Diego, in 2:43 of the 5th round.

▶ Johnny Gonsalves, 136, long a member of the top-ten in lightweight ranks, retained that status by winning a split 10-round duke over Irish Bobby Scanlon, 136½, at the venerable Oakland Auditorium. On hand about 5,000; gross gate, $13,000. Scanlon received a guarantee of $5,000, and Gonsalves got 30 percent of the net.

Referee Vern Bybee scored it 95-94; Judge Eddie James, 100-92; and Judge Matt Zidich saw it even-Stephen, 95-95.

Only knockdown of the fight was scored by Gonsalves in the 7th, but Scanlon was up instantly and there was no count.

In the 8-round semi-final, Herman Henry, 194, won the unanimous decision over Leon Hatcher, 197; and the opener, billed for six, found Tommy Chan, 133, winning the unanimous decision over Eddie Moore, 130.

▶ Down in Mexico, last year, Ernesto Figueroa defeated Gil Cadilli, but the best he could get in their return match at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A., was a draw. And he had to fight like fury in the last two rounds to get that.

Cadilli, 131, seemed to have a solid edge at the end of the 8th. In Round 9, Figueroa, 130, came to life with a do-or-die attack and he had the edge in this heat as well as the tenth and last. Only knockdown of the fight was scored by Cadilli, in the 6th, but it was of the picayune variety—only one count.

The scoring: Referee Jimmy Wilson, 96-96; Judge Tommy Herman, the same; Judge Dick Young, Figueroa, 95-94.

In the 6-round semi, Eddie Jones, 151, dec. Dean Crisp, 150; and the four-rounders: Frankie Ramirez, 145, KO (2) over Don Howard, 144½; Jaycee Johnson, 158, KO (3) over Lou Dodrill, 157; and Rogelio Ybarra, 128, dec. Gus Hurtado, 126.

▶ The Long Beach Auditorium, Leon Black, promoter, continues to make a gallant fight for existence.

Kid Rayo, of Managua, Nicaragua, 153, scored a 7-round TKO over Karl-Heinz Guder, Germany; on hand, about 2,000 fans who paid a gross of $2,766.

In the six-round semi, Roy Smith, 189, defeated Kenny Hayden, 182. Both hail from nearby towns: Smith from Torrance, Hayden, Compton. The four-rounders: Leo King, 163, dec. Lloyd Cook, 160; Panteros Cardenas, 131, KO (3) over Johnny Lednier, 124; and Frankie Ramirez, 147, KO (2) over Dave Mahoney, 148.

If Promoter Black can develop a few hometown boys into main event attractions, and he's trying hard to do it, that may well be just the ticket to put Long Beach on the fistic map.

▶ Larry Boardman, once of Marlboro, Conn., but now an Angeleno, 141, won the unanimous verdict over courageous Leo Agbulos, 135, Stockton, at Sacramento Memorial Auditorium; gross gate, $2,718.

It was Larry's first fight in twelve months. He got off to a slow start, but started to percolate in the 5th round and from there on held the upper hand. With this warm-up under his belt, look for Larry to do bigger and better things in the months to come.

Referee Jack Downey scored it 97-94; Judge Fred Bottaro, 99-96; and Judge Duccini, 98-94.

In the six-round semi, Jesse Jones, 145,

Los Angeles triumphed over Leonard Gaines, 137, Oakland, scoring three knockdowns. The fours: Al Carroll, 132, Sacramento, dec. Bobby Larkins, 134, Sacramento; Milton Jones, 151, Stockton, KO (1) over Ron DeLane, 158, Modesto; and George Page, 133, Auburn, dec. Jack Moretti, 129, San Fran.

Middleweights topped the card at Long Beach Auditorium and Ramon Hernandez, Juarez, Mexico, 152, defeated Mel Ferguson, Los Angeles, 151, in the 10-round feature. On hand about $2,000 worth of cash customers.

In the six-round semi, Roy Smith, 189, defeated Kenny Hayden, 192, in an entertaining ruckus. The four-rounders: Werner Reither, Germany, 122, technical draw (1) with Gus Hurtado; Lester Edwards, 143, decisioned Manuel Cisneros, 146; and in the opener, Sandy Garcia, 120, drew with Raul Elisaldo, 120.

▶ Hard luck continued to hex flashy Jimmy Hornsby, former Golden Glove champ. Fighting newcomer Alfredo Urbina of Mexico in the 10-round main event at the Olympic Auditorium, Hornsby seemed well on his way to a one-sided win, but an injury to his right hand, sustained in the 4th round, forced the Los Angeles boy to settle for a draw.

Hornsby, 136, was leading Urbina, 132½, at the half-way mark, but from then on he had to do all his fighting with his left. And Jimmy is known as a good right-hand socker.

Despite his handicap, Judge Russ Bradford had Hornsby in front, 98-95 at the finish. Judge George Latka favored Urbina, 97-94, and Referee Lee Grossman saw it even-Stephen, 96-96.

In the six-round semi-final, Vince Davi, 149½, decisioned Ed Hickman, 151. The four-rounders: Jim McCarter, 232, KO (4) over Bob Mumford, 200; Ray Pacheo, 112, dec. Paul Ramos, 116; and Eddie Baker, 141½, KO (1) over Lorenz Strickland, 141½.

▶ Opening event in the new, magnificent L.A. Sports Arena will be a world bantamweight title bout between Alphonse Halimi and Joe Becerra of Mexico; the date, July 8th.

This will be Halimi's first title defense since he defeated Raton Macias here at Wrigley Field on November 6, 1957—a fight which grossed $209,000 to set an American box-office record for banties.

▶ At Long Beach Auditorium, Frankie Duarte, 121½, broke the winning streak of Edgar Basel, Germnay, 118, in the 10-round main event before a crowd that paid $2,057 at popular prices.

In the six-round semi, Roy Smith, 189, drew with Andy Issac, 185; the four-rounders: Ricky Palma, 131, drew with Toro Martinez, 129; Manuel Cisneros, 148, dec. Banche Benitez, 152, and in the opener, George Green, 146, TKO (3) over Americano Lourindo, 152.

▶ Hilario Morales, 136, hammer-fisted lightweight from Mexico, scored the unanimous verdict over the veteran Teddy (Red Top) Davis, 134, in the 10-round main event at the Olympic Auditorium. It was Hilario's 22nd win in 24 pro starts, and his imposing array of knockouts caused the betting gentry to make him favorite at 3-1.

The scoring: Referee Frankie Van, 98-93; Judge Jimmy Wilson, 100-90; and Judge Joey Olmos, 99-93.

Curley Lee, L.A., 186, got off to a bad start when Joe Sullivan, San Francisco, 182½, floored him in the first round, but Curley more than evened matters as the fight progressed and in Round 3, Referee Joey Olmos wisely stopped the one-sided affair and raised Lee's mitt.

There were two five rounders: Mike Coronado, 147, dec. Larry Mercer, 145; and Jimmy Jackson, 136½, dec. Ray Walk, 139. In the four-rounder, Ray Pacheco, 109½, dec. Tino Salazar, 109.

▶ At Long Beach Auditorium: Frankie Belma, 151, who last year boxed a draw with Art Aragon, won a close decision over Kid Rayo, Managua, Nicaragua, 148. Rayo had knocked out Karl Heinz Guder in his last fight. Gross gate, $2,347.

In the semi, slated for six, Eddie Jackson, 187, KO (3) over Jimmy Harryman, 192. The fours: Paul Ramos, 120, KO (2) over Werner Reither, 120; Ray Mancines, 150, KO (1) over Jorge Sanchez, 150; and Cotis Pace, 143, dec. Jerry Armstrong, 142.

Rocky Kalingo, fresh from the Philippines, via Stockton, (where he whipped Abe Haynes and Julian Valdez) punched his way to a clean-cut verdict over southpaw Alfredo Cota, Mexicali, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Kalingo, 144½; Cota, 143. It was Kalinga's third straight U. S. victory.

No question about the verdict: Referee Charley Randolph, 98-91; Judge Dick Young, 97-93, and Judge Tommy Herman, 97-95—all for Kalinga, of course.

It was considered something of an upset. Cota, a stout puncher, had Art Aragon and champ Don Jordan on the floor, though he lost to both of them. Kalinga is now in line for bigger and better things.

In the semi-final, slated for six, impressive Don Johnson, 127, scored his seventh straight win and seventh straight kayo at the expense of Al Carroll, 126. The end came in Round 5.

The fours: Roy Simon, 145, dec. John Kimber, 150½, Jess Baeza, 119, KO (4) over Sandi Garcia, 117, and Rogelio Ybarra, 130, KO (3) over Ceferino Alvarado, 130½.

▶ At San Jose: Louie Molina, 138½, San Jose, member of the 1956 Olympic team, was scheduled to box 8 rounds with Tommy Hunter, 140½, Santa Cruz. Undoubtedly Louie had a date; he flattened Hunter in 2:40 of Round 1. This was Molina's debut as a pro. Happy huntin', Louie.

In the companion 8, Jerry Hunnicutt, 155, Menlo Park, outslugged Milton Jones, Stockton, 152.

▶ At Richmond Auditorium: Lyle Mackin, 148¾, resumed ring warfare after a two year absence, and did it impressively by scoring a 3-round kayo over Julian Valdez, Vallejo, 143¼. Gross gate: $2,039.

In the six-round semi, Johnny Bermudas, 129, boxed a sizzling draw with George Page, 133. The fours: Willie Moon, 164, TKO (2) over Al Loretz, 160; Joe Boy Charles, 140, KO (2) over Little Carl Olsen, 143; and in the opener, Julio Lau, 128, TKO (3) over Maxie Kelles, 130.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES FOR JACKSONVILLE'S THREE million dollar sports coliseum took place the past month with Mayor-Commissioner Haydon Burns shoveling the first dirt and sending the much-sought edifices on its start. Completion date is set for October, 1960.

▶ Someone was bound to give way when two of the most promising heavyweights tangled in Chris Dundee's top attraction at Miami Beach. As the result turned out to be, it was Cleveland Williams, of Tampa and Houston. Sonny Liston, of Philadelphia, scored his fourth consecutive Beach stopperoo, the 15th short-router and 24th victory in 25 times up and he halted Williams in three rounds. The loser looked good in the first round but the Pennsy puncher came back in the second to do some dishing out and wound up the winner after dropping Williams twice in the third. Sonny tipped 212½, and Cleveland, 210¼.

A crowd of 2,842 fans were present for the televised tiff. They paid $5,984.

In the heavyweight semi, Freddie Blades, 182, whipped Ollie Wilson, 187, in six. Hymie Budow, 134½, clicking again, won a sixer slugger from Billy Orias, 139, that proved a honey with the fight fans. Leon Stewart, 162½, won from Art Glass, 159¾, in six, and Pablo Caripedes, 125, decisioned Ray Estepa, 130¼, in four rounds.

▶ There's a new fistic hero down Miami Beach way and his name is Chico Morales, 136¾. The lightweight champ of Cuba, Chico, 19 years old, outsmarted veteran Ike Vaughn, 138, a 2-1 fav, for the 10 round decision and can look for bigger things after this upset before 1,268 fans that paid $2,004.25. Referee Billy Regan, Judges Fred Aaronson and Carl Gardner voted all in favor of Morales.

Leon Stewart, 157, stopped Jose Edwin, 154, Panamanian champ in one. Flip Ramirez, 136½, was a unanimous victor over Duane Simpson, 142½, in a four. Tommy Gerard, 178¼, beat Rocky Donatelli, 190¾, in four rounds and Hilton Smith, 129¾, took a sixer from Freddie Cozart, 135. Chris Dundee promoted.

▶ Closing fast, Rudell Stitch, 147, of Louisville, scored a split 10 rounder over Jimmy Beecham, 151, of Miami, in the feature for Promoter Chris Dundee at Miami Beach. Beecham was ahead by a point when Stitch made his bid and it was good enough for Referee Cy Gottfried and Judge Barry Pearlman to favor the Kentuckian while Judge Eddie Thal saw it all even. They drew 1,374 fans who paid $2,581.50.

A youngster whose name may be heard about later, Irish Billy Collins, 143½, scored his 15th in a row, and his victim was Josh Thomas, 147, who was stopped in the second round. Collins is handled by C. W. Smith, who owns the famous race horse, Hillsdale. Boller Sherman, 137, and Willie McCary, 136½, were all even after four rounds. Duane Simpson, 149, beat Dencil Aldacher, 145, in a four. Carmen Price, 142, bested Scooter Williams, 151, in a four rounder, and Sam Spade, 159½, triumphed over Leon Stewart, 159¾, in six.

▶ Ed Beattie victored over Rocky Randell in the top tilt at Miami for Promoter W. H. Peeples, Jr., and kept his winning ways sailing smoothly. Beattie's ninth straight was possible by good use of left jabs and right crosses.

Willie Giles, 152½, Miami, stopped Eddie Fobbs, 152, Fort Lauderdale, in the second; Gorilla Gould, 188, Everglades, decisioned Johnny Pew, 178, Miami; Perfecto Garcia, 131½, Miami, stopped Herschel Bostic, 130½, Dublin, Georgia, in three, and Sugar Cliff, 150, Nassau, stopped Julian Davis, 150, Jacksonville, in three.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Ike Morales

AFTER CLOSE TO 70 PROFESSIONAL FIGHTS CARRIED THROUGH eight years of ring warfare, Charley Joseph finally found out what it feels like to have a bout stopped against him.

The New Orleans middleweight, once a ranking title challenger, became the victim of a sixth round technical knockout after taking a terrific pasting from Henry Hank of Detroit at the New Orleans Coliseum.

With just 16 seconds remaining in the sixth, Referee Frederick Adams hoisted Hank's right hand after Joseph, somewhat bewildered from the heavy pummelling, turned his back on the Detroit fighter while walking toward his corner.

It was a return bout from three weeks previous when Joseph was awarded an unpopular split decision victory over the visitor. In their first meeting, Hank, a comparative unknown, dropped Joseph in the tenth round after the local fighter had piled up a margin during the early rounds. The encore was inevitable, the fight luring 3262 paid customers who grossed $6350—a payday for Matchmaker Nick Lapara and the newly organized New Orleans Boxing Club.

Joe Dorsey, 184¼, the heaviest of his career, stopped Willie Lee, 180, in the third round after flooring the gamester three times earlier.

Larry Armstead, 142, repeated his first victory over Aman Peck, 148, but had to settle for a splitter in their sixer, while Eddie Cates, 148, scored a kayo over Regis Williams, 143¼, in the sixth.

▶ Once again there are rival promoters in the local fight game. The New Orleans Boxing Club, after a couple of successful shows involving Charley Joseph and Henry Hank of Detroit, in the Coliseum arena, decided to split its personnel.

When the NOBC was first organized several months ago, Nick Lapara was named matchmaker, Danny Cohen, president, and Harry Frisch, secretary-treasurer. The two Joseph-Hank fights were not only exciting affairs, but money-makers as well.

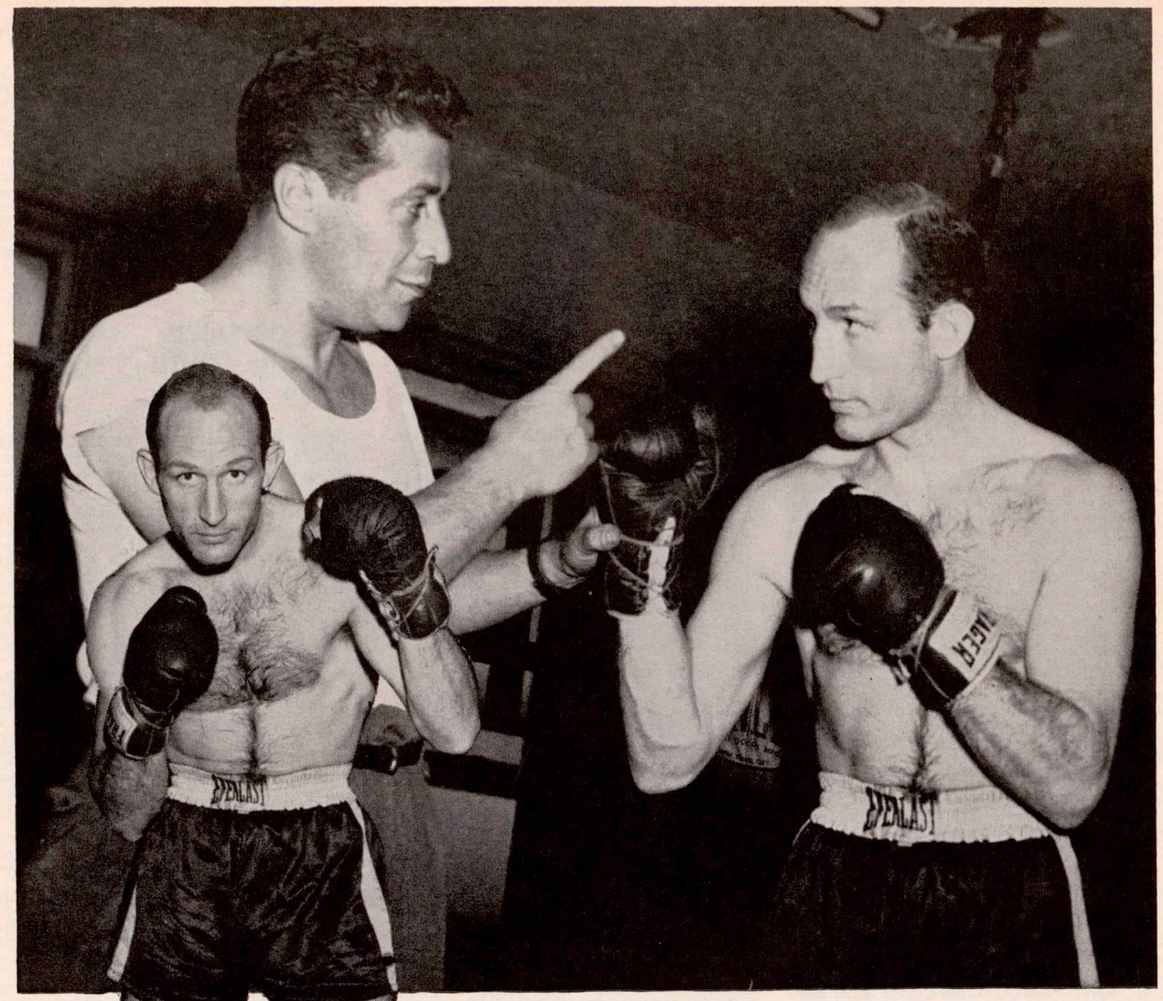
However, after a consultation between the officers, Lapara decided he would go on his own as matchmaker and promoter, while Cohen and Frisch would continue promoting under the NOBC banner.

Lapara received his license from the Louisiana State Athletic Commission to promote fights under the Crescent City Boxing Club on April 27, and immediately had the wires burning for the luring of attractive matches for New Orleans customers.

Lapara now has the lease on the Coliseum arena, the fight spot operated for a number of years by Heard Ragas, and prior to that by Harry Frisch and Lou Messina. Frisch is no newcomer in the fight game, having been associated with the late Lew Raymond for a number of years. In fact, it was Raymond and Frisch who promoted the Carnival of Champions of City Park back in 1942, when fellows like Sammy Angott, Aldo Spoldi, Jackie Callura, Richard Lemos and Bobby Ruffin appeared in 10 rounders.

There's still hopes that Bonny Geigerman, a regular in the fight picture for years, will return to the promotional field. All which proves that the Crescent City should be buzzing with activity during 1959. We hope, anyway.

▶ From our neighboring fight promoter in Mobile comes word that Al "Duke" Malone turned in an impressive performance when he upset the favored Ludwig Lightburn recently in the Alabama city. Tom Nelson, the live-wire Mobile promoter, said that the Duke never looked better, and that he was prepared to bring in some of the better junior-welters and welterweights to meet Malone.



Paolo Rosi, Italian born New Yorker who meets Joe Brown for the lightweight title in Washington, D. C., on June 3rd. Rosi is a good boxer and stiff puncher.

PAOLO ROSI, QUIET,

By FRED EISENSTADT

THIS Italian lightweight Paolo Rosi is a very deceptive looking guy. As he sits in his corner awaiting the opening bell, you say, *"That balding, peaceful bird is a fighter?"* But once the gong sounds, the question is answered instantly. The 30 year old Rosi sheds the look of the schnook and becomes the socker, the fighter.

Almost every blow Paolo tosses is meant to knock his rival to the canvas. No fleet-footed dancing master—and no exponent of fancy boxing—Paolo depends on aggressiveness and solid punching.

The reason this 5-foot-7 lightweight has scored only 13 kayos in 36 pro contests is simply because—Rosi is overly anxious to deliver a knockout. And, as the well-known motto states, Haste makes Waste, anxiety hinders rather than aids. Among the better lads who have tasted the sting of Paolo's kayo punch are: Eddie Compo, Toothpick Brown, Bobby Scanlon and Frankie Ryff.

"Actually Rosi never has been knocked out," says manager Cy Crisci. *"The two knockouts registered against him were of the TKO variety—the bouts being ordered stopped by the doctor due to bad cuts over the eyes. Both times Paolo was way ahead on points, against Orlando Zulueta and Baby Vasquez, whom Paolo defeated in a return match."*

At times Rosi is scientific. Otherwise how was he able to gain decisions over such good boxers as Lulu Perez, Johnny Busso, Joey Lopes and Johnny Gonsalves. Busso outpointed champion Joe Brown in a non-title match, then lost a 15-rounder to him.

Paolo combined punching power and ring skill in disposing of clever Bobby Scanlon in three rounds, and—two months later—substantiated his boxing superiority over Bobby by outpointing him in Bobby's hometown, San Francisco, where Rosi had kayoed him.

Rosi, who was born in Rieti, Italy, on Jan. 28, 1929, has lost two decisions, boxed one draw—a good record.

An only son, Paolo has four older sisters—three of them married. His father, Duilio, owns a fireworks factory.

As a child Paolo was unusually gentle and quiet, never got into any trouble. *"I'm-a not even have fights on street like-a other kids,"* says Rosi in broken English—which he explains away in this manner: *"Little by little I'm-a speak-a better. First, because people laugh when-a I try to talk English, I no talk-a.*

"But since-a I become citizen of United States last-a year, I speak-a English when I have-a the chance. When somebody laugh, I say, 'Okay, you try speak-a my language and I laugh at you!' That make-a the wiseguy shut up."

After having been graduated from High School, at 16, Paolo went to work in Rome as a beautician. Two years later he returned home and went to work for his father—though his mother, Emilia, objected. *"Because she's-a afraid something happen to me,"* explains the boxer. *"You see, in 1932 happen big accident in factory of my papa—explosion. Place burn down. It take-a few years hard-a work for my father and mother to build up place again. Anyway, I remain in fireworks factory over three years."*

Rosi entered boxing in 1947, while visiting his sister Bruna in Genoa. He passed a gymnasium and saw boxers working out. *"It not-a look so hard,"* he smiles, showing perfect white teeth, *"so I'm-a decide to become fighter. And so, after I'm-a train two months, I enter amateurs. And I not-a do bad, win 28 of 29 fights and hold Liguria State light-a-weight championship for two years."*

Turning pro in 1951, Rosi scored a dozen triumphs in 14 brawls, then came here—arriving on Oct. 18, 1952. He scored a KO in the Garden that year, and followed with two more kayoes in 1953. It was a good beginning.

"Then some-a-thing wonderful happen to me," beams Paolo. *"I meet a signorina bella—beautiful girl—by name of Barbara De Santis and fall in love. See her picture and you not ask-a why."*

When Barbara and her mother sailed to Italy on a visit, Rosi—unbeknown to them—also was on board ship. But seasickness kept him below-deck for two days. Then, up for air and the big surprise.

Forty days after their first meeting, the wedding took place, on May 28, 1953. Five months later the couple were back in New York, where Paolo resumed his ring career. They live in the Bronx.

"My wife, she no like-a too much this boxing business," says Rosi. *"But she not make-a objection. She's good-a wife, very understanding. Not criticize my profession. What's-a good for me is okay with her."*

Barbara is a red-head, was born here and has borne Paolo two fine boys: Dwight, four and a half—named after President Eisenhower; Kenneth, one and a half.

The mild-looking Paolo enjoys early-morning roadwork. *"I'm-a get up at six,"* he explains. *"Run maybe five-a miles, breathing in nice-a fresh air, return at 7:30 a. m., feed the kids—I like-a very much, this. At eight, I'm-a back in bed—sleep maybe three hours."*

Paolo has done a lot of skiing, has played soccer and is a good swimmer. Likes to dance, to read, to watch TV, movies and baseball games. But he enjoys most staying home and playing with his children. Rosi is a devout man and steady church goer. He's a lover of opera and fine music. But his favorite composer is George Gershwin.

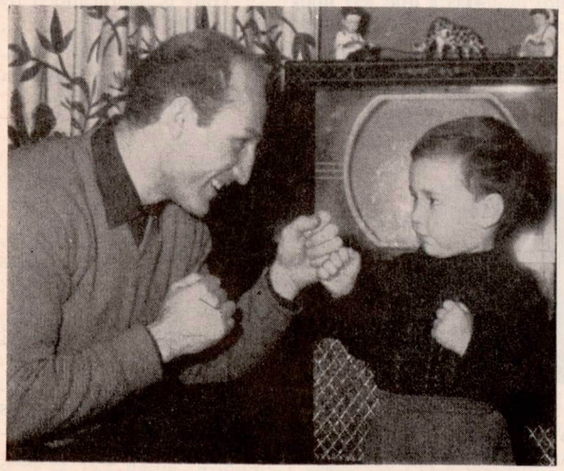
"I've trained hundreds of fighters," says Chick Vitti. *"But Paolo is the most cooperative of them all. Does as he's told without grumbling or argument. He enjoys the glory of winning hard battles, not easy ones. Here, at the Tremont Gym, everybody thinks he's the swellest guy ever."*

Paolo's parents, who did not object to their only son following a ring career, are coming to New York for a few months and to see their grandchildren—for the first time.

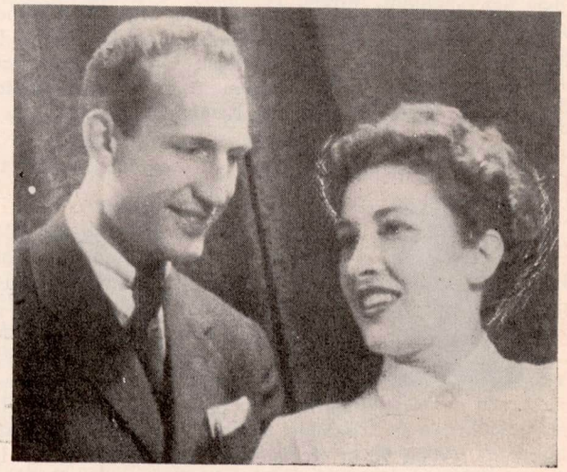
During the summer months, the Rosi's live in their bungalow on Staten Island. Paolo does not neglect keeping in shape while there, exercises daily and does lots of swimming.

Chinese food is his favorite. His No. 1 fighter, Carmen Basilio.

Paolo shows his son Dwight, now 4, how to handle himself. Dwight also has a younger brother Kenneth 1½.



Rosi and his wife Barbara at the time of the wedding six years ago. Rosi has become an American citizen.



DECEPTIVE DYNAMO

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES . . . .

FIGHTERS

GENE (ACE) ARMSTRONG

Unbeaten middleweight contender from Elizabeth, N. J. . . . Younger brother Eddie is promising welterweight . . . Born 27 years ago in Pickensville, Georgia. . . . Did not turn pro until 1953 after three years service overseas with the Army . . . Is fast, sharp hitter, but has scored only one kayo—that on a cut . . . Did a lot of boxing as an amateur and service fighter . . . Has won 17 straight including Rory Calhoun, Randy Sandy, Reybon Stubbs, Italo Scortichini, Charley Joseph, Rudy Sawyer and Eddie Thompson . . . Is the father of two little girls.

JOE BECERRA

Top ranking bantamweight from Guadalajara, Mexico . . . Faces Alphonse Halimi in world title bout next month . . . One of the hardest hitters in his division . . . 22 years old . . . Has been fighting as a pro only three years . . . 35 fights, 2 loses . . . 20 kayos. . . . Has won last 11 in a row by knockouts . . . Possesses sharp left hook and hard right cross . . . Newest idol of Mexican fans . . . Has kayoed both men who defeated him . . . Kayoes over Mario D'Agata, Billy Peacock, Dwight Hawkins, German Ohm, Little Cezar, Willie Parker, Ross Padilla, Gaetano Annaloro. . . . Defeated Joe Medel, Manuel Armenteros, Ramon Calatayud.

IKE CHESTNUT

Speedy featherweight from New York . . . Rated among top ten in his class. . . . Born in Birmingham, Alabama, 29 years ago. . . . Compiled an impressive record while boxing as an amateur. . . . Is a fast, sharp hitter. . . . Has been fighting as a pro since 1953. . . . Has become a favorite with West Coast fans. . . . Won 30 of 48 fights boxing 5 draws. . . . Has stopped Kid Anahuac and Carmelo Costa. . . . Defeated Lauro Salas, Gil Cadilli, Kid Irapuato, Jose Cotero, Ernesto Parra, Roberto Garcia. . . . Drew with Victor (Sonny) Leon, Bobby Bell. . . . Has learned to speak Spanish, from meeting so many Latin boxers.

HENRY COOPER

Holder of the British and Empire heavyweight titles. . . . Has a twin brother Jim, also a fighter. . . . Is a strong, willing mixer with a good left hand. . . . Won titles by beating Brian London. . . . 25 years old. . . . Won first seven pro bouts by kayos. . . . Had an impressive record as an amateur. . . . Is rated among top five heavyweights in the world. . . . A hard puncher he has scored 13 kayos while winning 17 of 25 bouts. . . . A tendency to cut easily has been a big handicap to him . . . Has kayoed Brian London, Dick Richardson, Uber Bacilieri. . . . Beaten Zora Folley, Joe Bygraves. . . . May be seen in American rings shortly.

TONY DIBIASE

Tough, aggressive welterweight comer from Astoria, L. I. . . . Was an outstanding amateur and college boxer. . . . Won Golden Glove, A.A.U. and NCAA titles before turning pro in 1955. . . . Lost first bout then won 18 in a row. . . . Is a senior at New York University, majoring in archaeology . . . 23 years old. . . . Has a fine left hook . . . Tony is handicapped by tender tissue around eyes . . . Has won 23 of 29 fights. . . . Holds victories over Danny Giovanelli, Chris Christensen, Jimmy Archer, Peter Schmidt, Ray Portilla, Johnny Gorman. . . . Won Trophy as outstanding amateur in 1954.

RALPH DUPAS

Youthful veteran from New Orleans, Louisiana. . . . Turned pro in 1950 as a 14 year old high school student. . . . Was a long time leading lightweight. . . . Now among top five welterweight contenders . . . A classy speed merchant. . . . Was a main bout fighter before reaching sixteenth birthday. . . . Has won 72 of 91 fights. . . . Failed in bid for world lightweight crown last year against Joe Brown . . . Lists among his victims Kenny Lane, Joe Miceli, Vince Martinez, Gil Turner, Gerald Gray, Johnny Busso, Johnny Gonsalves, Baby Vasquez, Gaspar Ortega, Mickey Crawford, Ramon Fuentes. . . . Is popular idol of Southern Fight Fans. . . . Possesses one of the best left jabs in boxing today.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

YVON DURELLE

British Empire Light Heavyweight Champion. . . . Was half of the 1958 "Fight of The YEAR" against Archie Moore, whom he floored three times and almost knocked out in the first round. . . . Meets Moore again for title on July 15th. . . . Is a strong, durable slugger who has come into his own in past two years. . . . Owns his own fishing fleet. . . . Is 28 years old. . . . Lives in Baie St Ann, New Brunswick, Canada. . . . Has been fighting as a pro since 1950. . . . Won 74 of 94 fights, scoring 37 kayos. . . . Holds wins over Mike Holt, Jerry Luedee, Willi Besmanoff, Gordon Wallace, Clarence Hinnant, Germinal Ballarin. . . . Drew with Tony Anthony.

GABRIEL (FLASH) ELORDE

Crafty southpaw from Manila, Philippine Islands. . . . Top ranking contender for world featherweight title. . . . Holder of the Orient lightweight crown. . . . Born Bogo, Cebu, 24 years ago. . . . Turned pro in 1951 at sixteen. . . . Was fighting main bouts in less then a year. . . . Is now living on West Coast. Failed in attempt to lift 126 pound title from Sandy Saddler in 1956. . . . Holds wins over Sandy Saddler (nontitle), Dave Gallardo, Leo Alonzo, Ike Chestnut, Tanny Campo, Teddy Davis, Hisao Kobayshi . . . Has won 45 of 61 fights, scoring 16 kayos. . . . Is good action fighter with large following in California.

LEO ESPINOSA

Long time top ranking flyweight and bantamweight contender. . . . Born in Cebu, Philippines 26 years ago. . . . Made pro debut in 1950. . . . Twice failed in bids for world flyweight title, being outpointed by Yoshio Shirai in 1954 and Pascual Perez in 1956. . . . Now in line for shot at bantamweight title. . . . Present holder of Orient bantamweight and Filipino featherweight crowns. . . . Has lost but 10 of 66 fights. . . . Older brother Bonnie is top Orient lightweight. . . . Lists Kiyoshi Miura, Dommy Ursua, Young Martin, Sadao Yaoita, Manuel Armenteros, Al Asuncion, Larry Bataan, Pone Kingpetch, Hitoshi Misako, Little Cezar, Jake Tuli, Yoshio Shirai, and Roberto Castro among victims.

DEL FLANAGAN

Veteran boxing master from St. Paul, Minnesota. Comes from a fighting family, brother Glen was a top featherweight, Jerry is a promising lightweight. . . . Started ring career in 1944, turned pro in 1947, as a featherweight. . . . Now ranking welterweight contender, also fights as a middleweight. . . . Good golfer . . . Went first 52 fights before losing. . . . Has won 94 of 111 fights, scoring 32 kayos . . . Has fought eight world champions . . . Holds wins over Ralph Dupas, Jimmy Martinez, Sandy Saddler, Beau Jack, Willie Pastrano, Johnny Saxton, Johnny Bratton, Ralph Jones, Kid Gavilan, Gil Turner, Virgil Akins. . . . 30 years old. . . . 5 ft. 7 inches tall.

LAHOUARI GODIH

Top ranking European lightweight contender. . . . Born in Oran, Algeria 30 years ago. . . . Has been fighting in American rings for past year . . . Fast, clever boxer . . . Good left jab. . . . Comes from a large family. . . . Started pro career in 1950 . . . Boxed all over the world. . . . Has lost but 8 of 62 fights. . . . Likes New York City, and would like to settle there. . . . Lost to Don Jordan and Kenny Lane. . . . Holds wins over Larry Baker, Eddie Perkins, Guy Gracia, Pat Ford, Hoacine Khalfi, Bobby Ros. . . . Held French title before coming to United States

HAROLD GOMES

An aggressive two fisted puncher. . . . Boasts one of the best records among the 126 pounders. . . . Has lost but 4 out of 47 fights, 3 to Tommy Tibbs, whom he also beat 3 times. . . . Holder of the New England featherweight title. . . . Born and raised in Providence, R. I. of Portuguese-Greek parentage. . . . Turned pro in 1951 with a run of 21 straight wins. . . . Recently snapped 33 bout win streak of Paul Jorgensen with an unanimous decision. . . . Has also kayoed Lulu Perez, Bobby Rogers, Pat Marcune. . . . Wins over Ike Chestnut, Bill Bossio, Johnny O'Brien. . . . 25 years old. . . . Has lost but 1 of his last 18 fights. . . . Rated among top ten in the world.

JOHNNY GONSALVES

Tall, gifted boxer from Oakland, California. . . . Was National AAU champion in 1947-8. . . . One of 11 children. . . . Was voted top amateur in U.S. in 1948 when he defeated Johnny Saxton. . . . Has made fine comeback recently winning 5 out of 6, after losing 5 in a row. . . . Has a fine left jab. . . . 28 years old. . . . Has boxed 70 fights, winning 52. . . . Holds wins over Bobby Scanlon, Paul Armstead, Paddy DeMarco, Cisco Andrade, Wallace (Bud) Smith, Al Nevarez, Virgil Akins, George Araujo, Orlando Zulueta. . . . 5 feet 10 inches tall. . . . Black, wavy hair. . . . Fashion plate dresser. . . . Popular with Bay area fans.

EMILE GRIFFITH

Fast rising undefeated welterweight from New York City. . . . Born in the Virgin Islands 21 years ago. . . . Has been fighting pro just a year. . . . Scored 11 straight wins. . . . Won the New York, Eastern and Inter-City Golden Glove 147 pound championships in 1958. . . . Is a busy, two-fisted body puncher who shows poise beyond his limited experience. . . . Has scored five kayos including Larry Jones, Sergio Rios and Barry Allison. . . . Defeated Bobby Shell, Mel Barker and Artie Cunningham. . . . Has a large following at St. Nick's where he has fought all of his fights. . . . A lad to watch.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

GARNET (SUGAR) HART

Nicknamed "Skinny". . . . Is top ranked welterweight challenger. . . . Was an outstanding amateur boxer. . . . Won both the lightweight and welterweight National A.A.U. championships in 1954. . . . 23 years old. . . . Born and still lives in Philadelphia, Pa. . . . Made pro bow in 1954 and scored 8 straight kayos. . . . Has lost only 3 of his 32 professional fights, scoring 21 kayos. . . . Has defeated Ralph Dupas, Larry Baker, Duke Harris. . . . Kayoed Barry Allison, Willie Stevenson, Charlie (Tombstone) Smith. . . . Drew with Gil Turner. . . . 5 feet 11 inches tall. . . . Is a fastidious dresser. . . . Has large local following.

ALONZO JOHNSON

Clever young heavyweight comer from Rankin, Pa. . . . 24 years old. . . . Was a top amateur before turning pro in 1957 . . . Won Eastern Golden Glove 175 pound title in 1956. . . . Has won 15 of 16 fights and last 11 in a row. . . . Shows marked ability for so little experience. . . . A good boxer and a sharp hitter. . . . Holds wins over Billy Hunter, Jimmy Slade, Solomon McTier, Shirley Pembleton, Neal Welch, Charlie Forest, Oliver Wilson. . . . 6 feet 1 inch tall. . . . One of the more promising of the newcomers in the heavyweight ranks. . . . Makes National TV debut against Nino Valdes.

EDDIE JORDAN

Fancy boxing "Irish" welterweight from Brooklyn, N. Y. . . . Undefeated in 20 fights. . . . Started as a pro in 1954. . . Spent next two years in Europe with U. S. Army. . . . 5 feet 10 inches tall. . . . Made hit in TV debut by holding Stefan Redl to a thrilling draw. . . . Has fine left jab and good defensive skill. . . . Among others defeated Mel Barker, Bill Flamio, Peter Schmidt, Gene Takach. . . . Has a large local following. . . . Style is similar to Bobby Dykes', but as yet lacks Dykes' punching ability. . . . 24 years old. . . . Is tabbed as bright star of the future. . . . Is a fine sand-lot ballplayer.

PAUL JORGENSEN

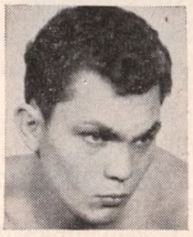
Fighting Collegian from Port Arthur, Texas. . . . A senior at Houston University. . . . 24 years old. . . . Father of a six-year-old son. . . . Fifth ranking featherweight in the world. . . . One of boxing busiest performers. . . . Has fought 88 times in five years. . . . Lost only 6. . . . Scored 31 kayos. . . . A fast moving boxer with a sharp right cross. . . . Has kayoed Harold Dade, Ernesto Figueroa, Russ Tague. . . . Defeated Teddy Davis, Lauro Salas, Carmelo Costa, Gil Cadilli, Bobby Bell, Sonny Leon, Lulu Perez, Ernesto Parra.

MARVIN (CANDY) McFARLAND

Fast moving, fast punching young lightweight prospect from Philadelphia, Pa. . . . Stablemate of middleweight champion Ray Robinson, who is helping to train him. . . . Was a top notch amateur before turing pro in 1956. . . . Was kayoed in first bout, but has lost only once since in 18 fights. . . . Is shifty boxer with fast left jab. . . . Has kayoed Gene Gresham, Davey Walden, and beaten Chico Rollins, Isidro Martinez, Ray Lancaster, Eddie Armstrong and Bertram Bailey. . . . Drew with Johnny Melendez and lost close fight to Eddie Perkins. . . . 22 years old. . . . 5 feet 9 inches tall.

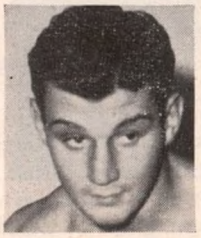
DENNIS (DENNY) MOYER

Flashy, fast stepping boxer from Portland, Oregon. . . . Comes from fighting family, brother Phil is promising middleweight. . . . Ranked among top ten welterweights, following wins over Gaspar Ortega and Vince Martinez. . . . Was a brillant amateur. . . . Won National AAU title in 1957. . . . nineteen years old . . . Undefeated in twenty straight fights. . . . Was main bout fighter in second fight. . . . Fighting pro less than two years. . . . Has beaten Al Andrews, Johnny Saxton, Tony Dupas, Tommy Thomas, Julian Valdez. . . . Idol of Northwestern fans. . . . Considered one of the best boxers to come along in long time. . . . Will become one of the youngest challengers when he fights Don Jordan for title next month.



CARLOS ORTIZ

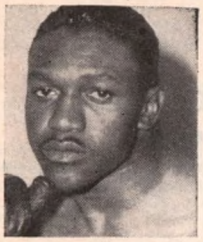
Clever, speedy boxer-puncher. . . . Rates among the top three lightweights in the world. . . . Born in Puerto Rico twenty years ago. . . . Now lives in New York City. . . . Started boxing as a youngster at Madison Square Boy's Club . . . Later fought for the P.A.L. and simon-pure tournaments. . . . Compiled an impressive record as a simon-pure . . . Began professional career in 1955, went 28 fights before suffering first loss, that to Johnny Busso whom he defeated in next fight. . . . Is a member of the famous "Fighting Sixty Ninth" National Guard. . . . Holds win over Len Matthews, Dave Charnley, Joe Lopes, Gale Kerwin, Tommy Tibbs. . . . Has lost but 2 of 33 fights.



PAUL PENDER

Tall, clever, hard punching middleweight from Brookline, Massachusetts. Gained a place among the top ten contenders with recent victory over Ralph (Tiger) Jones. . . . Has been handicapped during career by brittle hands. . . . Is a member of the Boston Fire Dept. . . . 28 years old. . . . Began pro career in 1949. . . . 40 fights, 5 losses. . . . 19 kayos. . . . Has won 7 in a row since returning to action six months ago. . . . Lists Pete Adams, Ted Olla, Norman Hayes, Otis Graham, Sonny Horne, Ernie Durando and Norman Horton, among his victims. . . . Is big attraction in New England.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES



CHARLEY POWELL

Big, powerful, heavyweight contender. . . . Was an all-around athlete in high school. . . . Went straight to Pro Football San Francisco 49ers, where he was outstanding defensive end. . . . Twice gave up ring career to go back to football. . . . Now says he is in the fight game to stay. . . . Shot into spotlight with stunning kayo of Nino Valdes. . . . 6 feet 2 inches tall. . . . 215 pounds. . . . 25 years old. . . . Turned pro in 1953. . . . Fought 13 contests before losing. . . . Has lost but 3 out of 25 fights. He has scored 15 kayos. . . . Has never lost a decision. . . . Kayoed Charley Que, Keene Simmons, Frank Buford. . . . Defeated Hans Friedrich, Charley Norkus, Bob Biehler, Neal Welch

STEFAN REDL

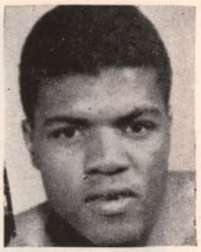
Busy two-fisted puncher from Passaic, N. J. . . . 5 feet 5 inches tall. . . . Born in Hungary, raised in Germany. . . . Has been in U S. 3 years and taken out citizenship papers. . . . 26 years old. . . . Had over 100 amateur fights, losing only 5 and scoring 60 kayos. . . . Was German amateur lightweight champion. . . . Is a member of U. S. National Guard. . . . Talented musician . . . Won 17 pro bouts before suffering first loss . . . Has won 23 of 27 fights. He scored 13 kayos. . . . Holds wins over Paddy DeMarco, Gerd Muller, Frankie Ippolito, Johnny DiGilio. . . . Drew with Eddie Jordan.

GUSTAV (BUBI) SCHOLZ

European middleweight champion. . . . 28 years old. . . . A native of Berlin, Germany. . . . Has made one American appearance, defeating Al Andrews in only TV fight that was televised in color. . . . Is an eleven year veteran of pro scrapping. . . . Has lost only once, that to Charley Humez last year. . . . He later defeated Humez to win European championship. . . . Is a southpaw with a good right jab and hard left cross. . . . Regarded as top German fistic idol since Max Schmeling. . . . Has defeated Franz Szuzina, Peter Muller, Chris Christensen, Alex Buxton, Tuzo Portuguez, Germinal Ballarin, Wim Snoek, Claude Milazzo. . . . Scored 26 kayos while winning 56 out of 59 fights. He fought two draws.

CHARLEY SCOTT

Hard socking left hooker from Philadelphia, Pa. . . . 24 years old. . . . Started boxing as an amateur at sixteen. . . . Turned pro two years later. . . . Shot into spotlight with his upset win over Isaac Logart. Three weeks later proved it was not a fluke by kayoing Logart in three rounds. . . . Ranked among the top ten welterweights. . . . He won 23 out of 32 fights, 12 by kayos. . . . Has kayoed Ernie Burford, Jake Josato, Johnny Ciccarelli, defeated Johnny Cunningham, Tom Brown, Rudy Gwin, Cortez Jackson, Ralph Dupas. . . . Is one of the new comers to hit the headlines in 1959.



EDDIE THOMPSON

Rapid punching St. Albans, N. Y. middleweight. . . . Nicknamed "Machine Gun". . . . Is employed as a mailman. . . . Gets plenty of roadwork walking his route. . . . Born in Little Rock, Arkansas, 23 years ago. . . . Grew up in Cincinnati, where he started his ring career as an amateur. . . . Made pro debut as a substitute and won eight round decision over Eddie Connors three years ago. . . . Has lost but 3 of his 21 fights. . . . Was undefeated in first thirteen fights before being stopped on a cut eye by Gene Armstrong. . . . Holds wins over Eddie Andrews, Frankie (Kid) Anslem, Benny Paret, Richard Kelly, Danny Russo, George Harrell.

WILLIE TOWEEL

Former British Empire lightweight champion from Johannesburg, S. A. . . . 25 years old. . . . Comes from fighting family, father and two brothers were fighters. Brother Vic was world bantamweight king. . . . Started as amateur in 1950, was member of 1952 Olympic team, losing in flyweight semi-finals to Nate Brooks. . . . Turned pro in 1953. . . . Fought 15 round draw with Robert Cohen in bid for world bantamweight title in 1955. . . . Won British Empire title in 1956 beating Johnny Van Rensburg. . . . Has lost but three of his 48 fights and has beaten all conquers. . . . Defeated Al Nevarez, Dave Charnley, Pappy Gault, Orlando Zulueta, Guy Gracia, Jimmy Carter and Richie Howard.

REUBEN VARGAS

Aggressive, hard socking heavyweight from Richmond, California. . . . Born 27 years ago in Orange City, California. . . . One of seven boys. . . . Learned to fight early. . . . A top street-fighter . . . Had an outstanding amateur record. . . . Topped by winning National A.A. U. championship in 1954. . . . Hit spotlight with stunning upset victory over Tony Anthony seen on TV. . . . 5 feet, 10 inches tall . . . Patented his style after Jack Dempsey . . . Is an ardent reader and music lover. . . . Has recorded 13 kayos while winning 18 out of 24 fights. . . . Kayoed young Jack Johnson to win California State Title . . . Also kayoed Arthur Wright, Edgardo Romero, Jackie Torme.

ELLSWORTH (SPIDER) WEBB

Top ranking middleweight contender from Chicago, Ill. . . . Held National Collegiate championship while attending Idaho State College . . . Born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, 27 years ago. . . . Was an outstanding amateur boxer. . . . Lost in the 1952 Olympic Games to Laszlo Papp. . . . Is a shifty boxer with a stiff right cross. . . . Served three years in Armed Forces. . . . Has kayoed Bobby Boyd, Jimmy Martinez, Joey Giardello, Rory Calhoun, Neal Rivers, Terry Downes, Franz Szuzina, Pat McAteer . . . Defeated Holly Mims, Dick Tiger, Willie Vaughn, Charley Joseph. . . . Has scored 19 knockouts while winning 33 of his 37 fights.

IN LATIN AMERICA

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

REGULAR WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY SHOWS CONTINUED THROUGHOUT APRIL. All fights were among local talent with the exception of the international one between local Joe Medel and Johnny Sarduy from Cuba. Medel was too much for the Cuban boy, who hardly lasted three rounds.

▶ Tacuba Hernandez, 115, outpointed Cheto Fernandez, 118, in 10. Domingo Chavez, 118, outpointed Paco Mugica, 118, in 8. Pichi Martinez, 126, decisioned Santiago Mariles, 126, in 6. Gelasio Perez, 121, outpointed Torito Aguilar, 118, in 6. Victor Aguilar, 112, decisioned Al Cruz, 110, in 4.

▶ Fili Nava, 125, decisioned Angel Guerrero, 125, in 10. Lalo Camarena, 127, decisioned Chino Castelan, 122, in 8. Mauro Miranda, 110, stopped Roman Rodriguez, 109, in 4. Guillermo Tellez, 117, stopped Javier Torres, 114, in 3. Salvador Hernandez, 119, stopped Erasmo Sanchez, 113, in 1.

▶ Juan Ramirez, 126, decisioned Chebo Vasquez, 126, in 10. Gallito II, 118, decisioned Bernardo de la Cruz, 118, in 8. Tarzan Alvarado, 147, decisioned Roman Nava, 147, in 6. Coyote Sarabia, 135, decisioned Benny Castro, 135, in 6. Jose Sierra, 126, outpointed Angel Perez, 126, in 4.

▶ Saul Becerril, 110, stopped Alfonso Palma, 107, in 3. Cosme Maldonado, 135, stopped Al Olivera, 135, in 4. Ramon Ramirez, 118, stopped Jose Luis Salazar, 118, in 4. Negro Alfaro, 127, decisioned Bernabe Escobar, 125, in 6. Rafael Lopez, 135, decisioned Othon Torres, 132, in 4.

▶ Ray Ruiz, 112, decisioned Cuervo Salinas, 112, in 10. Jaibo Carranza, 135, decisioned Ruben Cadena, 135, in 8. David Monroy, 112, decisioned Gabi Beltram, 112, in 6. Jorge Alatorre, 118, stopped Carlos Veriguer, 118, in 3. Chuy Gonzalez, 126, stopped Martin Sanchez, 126, in 1.

▶ Carlos Arregui, 135, decisioned Enrique Castillo, 134, in 10. Tony Sanchez, 135, decisioned Rudy Sanchez, 135, in 8. Ernesto Barrera, 112, decisioned Juan Hernandez, 112, in 6. Porfirio Chavez, 126, stopped Gume Rodriguez, 126, in 2. Ray Calderon, 112, and Francisco Chavez, 112, drew in 4.

▶ Joe Medel, 116, stopped Johnny Sarduy, Cuban, in 3. Cisco Kid, 135, decisioned Valentin Rangel, 133, in 8. Clemente Quijano, 126, decisioned Alfredo Sandoval, 126, in 6. Joe Aparicio, 118, stopped Domingo Hernandez, 118, in 3. Sergio Badillo, 112, decisioned Pipo Castillo, 112, in 4.

▶ Chilo Barranco, 125, decisioned Lalo Camarena, 125, in 10. Jaibo Carranza, 126, stopped Kid Terranova, 126, in 8. Gonzalo Galan, 114, decisioned Gelasio Perez, 118, in 6. Jose Trejo, 126, decisioned Torito Lopez, 126, in 6. Centavo Jardon, 112, decisioned Reynaldo Martinez, 112, in 4.

BOXING IN CUBA
By Dr. Jorge Vieites

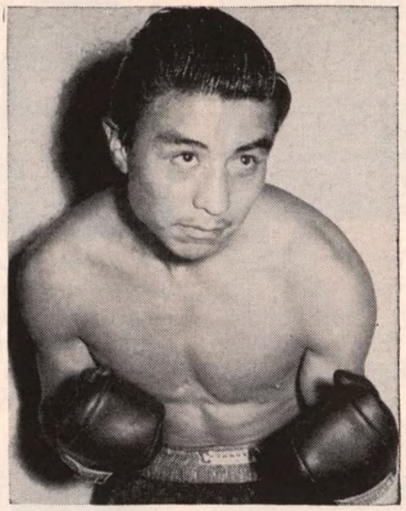
WITH THE REVOLUTION OVER AND CALM AGAIN existing, the Cubans are once more taking to sports. Boxing is beginning to take a firm hold as was the case before our national troubles began. Guerra Matos, new Sports Director, is an ardent sports fan and will do all in his power to rebuild our sports program, especially boxing.

▶ Cuban lightweight champion, Rolando (Chico) Morales, went to Miami Beach and easily beat Ike Vaughn. Isaac Logart, on his way down, was stopped in Washington by Charley Scott who had upset him last month. Bernardo (Benny Kid) Parets, lost again to Eddie Thompson, in New York.

▶ Sensational undefeated 20-year-old Douglas Vaillant, 132, scored his ninth kayo in 17 pro-fights, when he stopped American Bobby Rogers, 128¾, in 2:50 of round 6.

One-two combination dropped Davey Moore's conqueror twice, before the referee put a stop to the uneven fight.

Venezuelan Carlos Hernandez, 132, stopped Isaac Espinosa, 133¼, in 2:20 of round six. Pedro LaBarrere, 136¼, won in 8 from Francisco Serrano, 134; Julian Corona, 134¼, lost on a t.k.o. 4 with Jesus Hernandez, 134¾, and Galuco Ferreiro, 121¾, won in 4 from Felix Pomares, 123.



JOE MEDEL

Twenty-one-year-old Mexico City puncher who scored an impressive kayo over Cuban Johnny Sarduy in his last fight. Joe is rated number seven among the world's flyweight contenders. A stiff puncher for a wee one he has scored 23 kayos while winning 34 out of 50 fights, including David Rodriquez, Dwight Hawkins, Ross Padilla, Raul Leanos, Eduardo Guerrero. He has beaten Mario DeLeon and Jose Luis Mora. Joe's lone loss against a flyweight was to DeLeon whom he later bested.

▶ HAVANA—Hiram Bacallao, 112, is the new flyweight champion of Cuba, and in my opinion he'll last long. I predict a bright future for him.

Bacallao avenged his only pro-defeat, when he swarmed all over Jose Oliva, 111¼, for 12 rounds to get the unanimous verdict and the vacant flyweight title of Cuba. Oliva never had a look in and was more than lucky to last the distance. Bacallao record now is: 9-1-0. (5 k.o's and 4 decisions)

Felix "Chuchu" Gutierrez, 116¾, No. 3 bantam contender, looked fine when he stopped Mexican Guillermo (Memo) Gonzalez, 121¾, who couldn't come out for the 8th, as he was badly and freely bleeding and groggy in his corner.

Undefeated Rey Lopez, 197, (most promising Cuban heavyweight since the amateur days of Nino Valdes), scored his third pro victory in as many fights, when he decisioned Pablo Valderrain, 190¼, in six. Lopez dropped Valderrain in the first to clinch the unanimous verdict.

Promising, sensational k.o. little artist, Jorge Nunez, 120¾ pds., stopped Felix Triana, 122¼, after dropping him 3 times.

Ignacio Perez, 120 and William Roncourt, 121, drew in 4 rds.

▶ HAVANA: Cuban feathers king, Martin Rodriguez, 127, and Venezuelan from Miami, Tony Padron, 126¾, drew in 10 rounds in a three way verdict. Rodriguez hit harder.

Sal Fuentes, 155¾, stopped Vicente Reyes, 156, in 8. Pedro Napoles, 135¼, "drew" in 6 with Diwaldo Ventosa, 134¾; Galuco Ferreiro, 120¼, stopped Stanislaus Fernandez, 123¾, in two; while Gil Pineira, 130½, won in 4 from Julian Diaz, 133.

▶ Santa Clara: Former welter king, Kid Fichique, 148, after trailing for five rounds finally found his mark and stopped Alberto (Indian) Bisbe, 144¾, in the six after dropping the Indian 3 times.

Carlos Hernandez, 134, Venezuela, stopped Angel Martinez Chapman, 137, in one round.

▶ HAVANA: Light-heavyweight champion Julio Carreras, 164½, looked good when he disposed of Andy Mayfield, 157, Miami Beach in 1:59 of the fourth. In the first, the Miamian visited the canvas.

Middleweight champion, Paul Diaz, 156¾, gave a fine display when he won the unanimous decision in ten, from Art Glass, 157½, Dayton, Ohio. Diaz dropped Glass in the eighth round.

In a sensational, savage fight, Jorge Nunez, 119½, came up from the floor in the first round, and twice dropped Luis Regueira, 115¾, and scored a k.o. in the 2nd. Nunez is a savage hitter and has a formidable left hook. Watch this boy.

Rolando (La Plancha) Rodriguez, 145¼, was held to a six round "draw" by newcomer Manuel Machado, 145¾. Mario Ponce, 128, in his pro debut stopped Felix Vera, 125¾, in the third.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer G

CAMPECHE: MIKE HERNANDEZ, 128, OF Yucatan, returned to action after a long layoff and drew with Kid Neon, 134, in ten rounds.

▶ CAMPECHE: Chico Escalante, 124, stopped Rolando Fortiz, 128, in the third round.

▶ CAMPECHE: Baby Valencia, 130, kayoed Agustin Argaez, 133, in 3 rounds.

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BOXING IN ARGENTINE
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BAHIA BLANCA: IN THE "SALON DE LOS DEPORTES" RING, featherweight Aldo Gamboa won by a T.K.O. in eight over Ricardo Adasme.

▶ ROSARIO: At the "Norte" stadium undefeated featherweight Hugo Rambaldi kayoed Jorge Brunetti in two and Juan Carlos Juncos, lightweight decisioned Omar Vivanco in ten.

▶ VILLA PIAGGIO: Ricardo Falech, welterweight, stopped Roberto Gallardo in five, and Andrea Alvarez in his first professional bout drew in 10 with Miguel Soto of Chile.

▶ TEMPERLEY: Panamanian Argentine welterweight Frederick Thompson won by a T.K.O. in sixth over Juan Zalazar.

▶ MAR DEL PLATA: In the "Bristol" ring, Mario Basualdo and Francisco Espelocin drew in 10 rounds in a welterweight bout.

▶ MAR DEL PLATA: In the "Bristol" ring a "Carnival of Champions" was staged. Mario Basualdo decisioned Eduardo Zalazar in five (welters); Ricardo Gonzalez (Gonzalito), Argentine and South American featherweight champion, won by a T.K.O. in four over Cecilio Serantes; Jorge J. Fernandez, welterweight, kayoed Alberto Rodriguez in three; Manolo Garcia, ex-feather champion of Spain, decisioned Alfredo Penna in five; Fred Galiana, ex-light champion of Spain, stopped Ramon Altamirano, in two, Jaime Gine, Argentine lightweight champion, decisioned Antonio Repollo in five and Osvaldo Canete lost in 5 rounds to Alejandrino Rojas. They are lightweights—Canete lost his first pro bout.

▶ BUENOS AIRES: At the "Luna Park" ring, welterweight Jorge J. Fernandez won by a T.K.O. in 7th round over Angel Ahumada.

▶ MAR DEL PLATA: In the "Bristol" ring, Fred Galiana, of Spain, drew in 10 rounds with Julio Febres, of Peru, in a lightweight bout.

▶ ROSARIO: At the "Norte" Stadium, Alfredo Runetta, ex-feather weight champion of Argentina, decisioned Jose Casas in ten for the local title.

▶ BAHIA BLANCA: In the "Salon de los Deportes" ring, Carlos Vasquez decisioned Ernesto Arias in ten in a lightheavy bout. Vasquez won the local title.

▶ SAN JUAN: At the "Julio Mocoroa" ring, welterweight Dante "Red" Rodriguez decisioned Francisco Sotelo in ten.—This was Sotelo's first pro loss.

▶ SAN LUIS: In a welterweight bout, Federico Guerra lost the decision in 10 rounds to Ricardo Jofre.

▶ TEMPERLEY: Francisco Espelocin stopped Osvaldo "Remolino" Romano in the sixth of a welterweight bout.

▶ LA PLATA: At the "Atenas" ring, welterweight Jose Feito drew in 10 rounds with Abel White.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—At the Luna Park ring, ex-bantamweight Argentine and South American champion Roberto Castro lost a ten rounder to Aldo Gamboa.—Castro is now a featherweight.

▶ TEMPERLEY: In the lightheavy division, Justo Benitez drew in 10 rounds with Antonio Diaz and Jorge J. Fernandez kayoed Orlando Astorga, in two.

▶SANTA FE: Roberto Chetta, welterweight champion of this city kayoed Alberto Billafler in the first round.

▶LA PLATA: Aurelio Diaz and Carlos Paiva, light heavyweights, drew in 10 rounds.

▶SAN JUAN: At the Julio Mocoroa ring, Dante "Red" Rodriguez decisioned Silvio Frias in ten. They are welterweights.

▶TUCUMAN: Ex-Argentine and South American middleweight champion, Andres Selpa, stopped Aldo Nelson Garcia in one.

▶LIBERTAD: Hard puncher Jose Colaone kayoed Vicente Panzani in four rounds of a middleweight contest.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—At the Luna Park ring, Ricardo Gonzalez (Gonzalito) decisioned Manolo in ten. This was the fourth match between Garcia and Gonzalez. Garcia won the first, the second was drawn and two decisions went to Gonzalez.

▶BAHIA BLANCA: Osvaldo Canete, lightweight, stopped Cesar Farias in nine at the "Salon de los Deportes" ring.

▶BUENOS AIRES: At the Luna Park ring, Santiago Minelli, welterweight, stopped Julio Dartuqui in the sixth round and Hugo Medina and Esteban Caprani, middleweights drew in 10.

▶MENDOZA: At the Federation Mendocina Arena, Frederick Thompson, Panamenian-Argentine welterweight, decisioned Francisco Sotelo in ten.

▶VILLA MARIA.—Ricardo Maldonado drew in 10 with Arnaldo Villalba in a flyweight bout and Marcelo Videla drew in 10 with Aquiles Gregorutti in a middleweight contest.

▶NECOCHEA: Undefeated heavyweight Jose Georgetti won by a T.K.O. in four over Roberto Del Blanco.

▶TIGRE: In the welterweight bout, Roque Castro decisioned Roberto Arturo in eight.

▶LIBERTAD: Juan Campos, lightweight, drew in 10 rounds with Pedro Cardenas.

▶SAN JUAN: Elio Ripoll, welterweight kayoed Edgardo Nazrala, in nine.

▶ESPELETA: Antonio Gomez, now a featherweight, decisioned Esteban Abraham, in ten.

▶CORDOBA: At the Cordoba Sport ring, Hugo Juarez drew with Carlos Quintana in 10 rounds. They are lightweights.

▶TEMPERLEY: Former Argentine featherweight champion Manuel Alvarez kayoed Hector Miranda in two and Adalberto Ochoa kayoed Miguel Castro, in five of a welterweight bout.

BOXING IN BRAZIL
By Walter Quiroga

IBIRAPUERA STADIUM, SAO PAULO:—SEBASTIAO NACIMIENTO, BRAZILIAN FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPION, won a ten rounds decision over Oscar Vargas of Argentina in a featherweight bout.

Lightweight Cecilio Alem and Walter Valentin drew in six rounds. Sabino Leonardo won a six rounds decision over Cid Luzzi in a welterweight match.

Jose "Silent" Rosa kayoed Argentine Jose Luis Valdez in the second round of a lightweight bout.

▶Ibirapuera Stadium, Sao Paulo: Hard hitting Eder Jofre Brazilian kayoed Salustiano Suarez in the first round.

Sebastiao Raimundo outpointed Otacilio dos Santos in six rounds. Nelson de Oliveira and Manoel Evangelista, welterweights, drew in six.

Oripes dos Santos stopped Ataide del Oliveira in the fifth round.

NEWS FROM VENEZUELA
By William Albert

CARACAS: RANKING FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMP SERGIO CAPRARI of Italy made his first appearance here, winning a close victory over Sonny Leon in ten rounds. The Italian was a dangerous opponent, winning six rounds and one draw, using his right jab to check Leon's rushes. The bout was held in the Nuevo Circo.

Our champion fought in bad form, and used rough tactics. Caprari suffered a broken jaw, caused by butt. Caprari weighed 126, Leon 127½.

Cesar "Chivo Negro" Orta, first challenger for the lightweight crown, kayoed Carlos Rodriguez in eight. Rodriguez was dropped twice. Vicente Rivas, 140, our champion, won an unpopular ten rounds decision over Arthur Persley, 136, U.S.A.

Evelio Rios, 156, defeated Emilio Marron, 157, in 8. Euclides Monasterios and Cruz Arvelo drew in four rounds (flyweights). Encarnacion Blanco outpointed Hector Criollo in four.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

AT THE PANMA NATIONAL GYM, IN A SHOW promoted by the Torres Brothers, Arnulfo Pedrero, 116, flyweight and bantamweight champion of Colombia, was knocked out in three rounds by Pedro Ortiz (Manhattan Kid), 115¼, Panama's flyweight champion. Pedrero was dropped three times in round three before the referee stopped the bout.

Rafael (Toro) Braithwaite, 132½, won a split decision over Carlos Cantillo, 132½, in a well-fought six rounder. Eligio Pontilles, 115, won a split decision over Jose Pacheco, 115½, in a four rounder.

Rolly McKay, 128¼, and Cristino Vargas, 127, drew in four rounds.

▶At the Panama National Gym, in a show promoted by the Torres Brothers, Alberto (Toto) Ibarra, 119½, on a fine comeback, earned a split decision over Hector Hicks, 129¾, in a ten rounder.

Rodolfo Ampudia, 116½, and Constantino Diaz fought a six round draw. Stanley Wilson, 127¾, won a four round decision over Jose Perez, 126.

Ernesto Campbell, 121½, won a four rounder over Antonio Torregrosa, 124.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE
By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

JESUS "CHUCA" RODRIGUEZ, 129, stopped Octavio Salas, 138, in seven. Cain Rogero, 120, stopped classy but fragile Juanito Mendoza, 118, in the third round. Jorge Gonzalez, 126, decisioned veteran Serapio "Sapito" Jimenez, 120, in eight. Another old veteran, Lucio "Polina" Hidalgo, 120, stopped Felipe Gutierrez, 123, in the third. In a 4-rounder Antonio Ibarra, 118, bested Lazaro Perales, 117.

▶Ray Zamora, 129, slashed Jesus Rodriguez's left eyebrow and the referee stopped the scheduled 10-round main event in the fourth round, declaring Zamora as the winner by TKO. Jesus, 131, was well ahead on points when the referee halted the match.

The semifinal, also a scheduled tenner; was between two Mexican heavyweights. Catarino Guerrero, 205, La Laguna, used his left jab over Cuevas II (Jesus Cuevas), 209, Fresnillo, during six full rounds. But in the seventh, Senor Cuevas landed a right cross and Senor Catarino went to sleep for keeps.

In the 8-rounder, Javier Rodriguez, 132, got the duke over Juanito Garcia, 131. Jose Lopez, 126, stopped Alfonso Gress, 123, in two. Kid Nacho Diaz, 118, kayoed Arturo Mendoza, 117, also in the second round.

▶Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 117, flyweight champion of La Laguna, looking great, scored a clean kayo triumph over Angel Coronado, 119, Guadalajara, in five rounds. Goyo floored his foe three times.

Ray Zamora, 130, had to work hard to get a very split 10-round duke over youngster Carlos Rios, 132. Jose Lopez, 128, outscored Jorge Gonzalez, 126, in eight rounds. Salvador Guerrero, 117, bested Jose Gutierrez, 118, in six and Tony Becerra, 120, kayoed Kid Nacho Diaz, 119, in the second round.

▶CHIHUAHUA:—Pancho Kid, 143, surprised and outpointed strong boy Raul Anchondo, 144, after ten rounds. Chabelo Rodriguez, 120, KO'd Golo Kid, 121, in three. Ismael Gutierrez, 118, iced Henry Hernandez, 119, in the second round.

▶OAXACA:—In a real bloody fight, Rafael Comacho, 133, halted Carlos Loyola, 135, in five rounds. Both men visited the canvas and Loyola lost three of his front teeth when Rafael landed a right cross on his mouth.

▶MAZATLAN:—Veteran Jose "Memo" Diez, 124, stopped veteran Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 123, in three rounds. Both men used to be National Flyweight Champions.

▶REYNOSA: — David Rodriguez, 121, knocked out Panchito Villa II, 123, in seven. Ray Zamora, 128, kayoed Joel Lopez, 125, in seven rounds.

▶MATAMOROS: — Raymundo "Battling" Torres, 134, needed but two rounds to stop veteran Cesar "Chino" Saavedra, 127. Kildo Vargas, 121, and Jorge Gonzalez, 124, drew in the 10-round semi. Tino Padilla, 114, beat Jose Dominguez, 117, in eight.

▶PACHUCA:—Jose Santos, 117, decisioned Ubaldo Sanchez, 118, in twelve rounds to get the Bantamweight Championship of the State of Hidalgo. Adolfo Olguin, 130, bested Beto Beltran, 132, in ten.

▶PUEBLA:—Clemente Quijano, 126, outpointed Jorge Salazar, 122, in ten rounds.

▶VERACRUZ:—Feliciano "Borrego" Camarero, 135, got the duke over Enrique Gasca, 138, after ten rounds full of fouls, butts, hunches and . . . kicks! Gustavo Pitalua, 117, halted Juan Zurita II, 118, in the seventh.

▶ACAPULCO:—Lauro Garcia, 118, stopped Martin Ortiz, 117, in the fifth. Efren Juarez, 119, kayoed Torito Navarrete, 119, in four rounds.

▶MONTERREY:—Pajaro Gonzalez, 121, decisioned Nicho Gonzalez, 119, in ten. Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 147, La Laguna, iced Miguel Perez, 148, La Laguna, in two rounds.

▶GUASAVE:—Rudy Corona, 122, stopped Ernesto "Mudo" Villanueva, 125, in five.

▶OAXACA:—Miguel Ulloa, 114, got a 10-round draw with experienced Eddie "Chilero" Luna, 117. Manuel "Cocaina" Arazola, 118, kayoed Chalo Aguirre, 117, in four rounds.

▶CULIACAN: — Sergio Gomez, 133, the jungle kid from Chiapas, bested tough Cuban Pedro "Huesitos" Gonzalez, 129, after ten well fought rounds.

▶GUAYMAS:—Former national topnotcher Paulino Montes, 144, and cute boy Tony Lopez Smith, 138, drew after ten rounds. Eddie Rivera, 144, stopped Charley Sylva (Carlos Silva), 145, in the seventh.

▶MEXICALI:—Baby Brown, 118, of the Philippines, outscored Ignacio Pina, 117, in ten rounds. Francisco Echeverria, 150, and Pelon Martinez, 148, drew in ten.

▶PACHUCA: — "Dinamita" Alvarez, 127, drew with Anselmo Najera, 128, in ten rounds. Gonzalo Galvan, 118, halted Santos Gutierrez, 115, in the third round.

▶ARCELIA:—Manuel Armenteros, 119, high ranked man in THE RING, stopped Pollero Garcia, 119, in two rounds. Armenteros, who was born in Cuba, adopted Mexican citizenship a couple of years ago.

▶ACAPULCO: — Miguel Lassus, Cuban, halted Chuy Rodriguez, 117, in two rounds. Hermelindo Mondragon, 117, kayoed Benjamin Ortiz, 118, in two. Agripino Arellano, 111, drew with Benjamin Dominguez, 112, in six. Rodolfo Perez, 131, stopped Alberto Garcia, 133, in the second round.

▶OAXACA:—Nacho Dominguez, 128, defeated Chilo Barranco, 126, in ten chapters. "Pichi" Martinez, 120, stopped "Pelirrprojo" Kid, 121, in the fifth.

▶MONTERREY:—Panchito Saldivar, 117, won a decision over "Tibico" Torres, 119, in ten. Victor Manuel Rodriguez, 117, knocked out Roberto Mar, 119, in the seventh.

▶FRESNILLO:—Lupe Garcia, 135, convincingly outpointed Serafin "Babe" Castro, 137, in ten rounds. Toro Carranza, 140, halted "Bombero" Gonzalez, 143, in seven.

▶COLIMA:—Manuel Jimenez, 126, won a ten round unanimous decision over tough Luis "Queretaro" Trejo, 128.

▶CULIACAN:—Ciclon Alvarez, 130, defeated Beto Rodriguez, 129, in ten rounds. Manny Yamashiro, 123, decisioned "Papelero" Rodriguez, 124, in the other tenner.

▶PUEBLA:—Miguel Diaz, 118, beat Mario Fernandez, 119, in ten rounds. Porfirio Garcia, 123, outscored Roberto Machorro, 124, also in ten.

▶MATAMOROS:—Two technical draws on a single card! Carlos Hernandez, 122, in three with Kid Lobito, 119, and Rafael Hernandez, 118, after five with Manuel Saavedra, 117, Cesar Saavedra's kid brother.

▶QUERETARO:—Manuel Armenteros, 121, the active Mexican-Cuban, stopped veteran Pepe Montes, 129, in seven rounds.

▶TIJUANA:—High ranked featherweight Ike Chestnut, 128, bested Kid Irapuato (Ramon Perez), 125, in ten well fought rounds.

▶PACHUCA:—Rudy Sanchez, 132, stopped Adolfo Olguin, 130, in two rounds.

▶ CULICAN:—Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 119, had a sweet picnic with "Kid Laredo", 124. The National Bantam Champ floored the man three times and finished him in the fourth round.

▶ OAXACA:—Torito Moto, 118, iced Carlos Olivares, 120, in the eighth. Manuel "Cocaina" Arazola, 118, bested Gaby Botello, 119, in eight rounds. Alfredo Mijangos, 145, outscored Manny Campos, 148, in other 8-rounder.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Alex Arenas, 133, got the Guerrero State Lightweight Title when he kayoed Tobe Penaloza, 135, in the seventh of their scheduled 12-round championship bout. Babe Lopez, 117, stopped Patricio Noriega, 115, in two rounds.

▶ FRESNILLO: — Lupe Garcia, 136, decisioned Frank Dixon, 137, in ten rounds. Baby Rojas, 125, outpointed Kid Saucedo, 126, in the 10-round semifinal.

▶ ARCELIA:—Alejo Mejia, 122, upset "Unga" Cardoso, 120, in ten rounds. "Pollero" Garcia, 118, got a 10-round draw with Baby Palacios, 120.

▶ GUASAVE:—Blond mustached Arnoldo Gil, 146, kayoed Camilo Flores, 145, in two rounds. Gil floored the boy two times before the KO. Camilo is a son of famous veteran Sal Flores, better known around the Old Mexican Fistiana as "Negrito del Empalme". Ernesto Villanueva, 126, stopped Ciclon Alvarez, 130, in the second.

▶ GUAYMAS:—Pedro "Huesitos" Gonzalez, 129, Cuban new neighbored on the Mexican Pacific Coast, put "Grillito" Aguilar, 126, to sleep in four rounds. In a great fight, Baby Saroni, 126, kayoed Joel Marquez, 129, in the seventh round. Manny Ortega, 145, was too heavy for Jesus "Indio" Mendoza, 135; the big man stopped his 10-pounds handicapped foe in the sixth.

▶ CHIHUAHUA:—Ezequiel "Chicles" Uribe, 137, halted Arturo Lopez, 143, in seven rounds. Hector Garcia, 130, KO'd Federico "Chino" Gonzalez, 128, in the third. Roman Rodriguez, 118, La Laguna, outpointed Ismael Gutierrez, 118, in eight rounds.

▶ MONTERREY:—David Rodriguez, 124, upset Facundo Martinez, 123, in ten. Tony Martinez, 135, decisioned Rafael "Zurdo" Vazquez, 137, in the other tenner.

▶ TIJUANA:—Jose Becerra, 124, high ranked bantam in THE RING, needed but one round to put Billy Peacock, 123, to sleep for good. The fans booed the kayo because they didn't like the way same was realized. Ramon "Bobby" Cervantes, 130, La Laguna, Becerra's stablemate, stopped Paul Harris, 131, in two rounds.

▶ LA PAZ:—"Toluco" Lopez, 122, went ahead with his normal tour of "easy-ones". Now, the National Bantam King, stopped Hector "Chango" Ceballos, 123, in four rounds. "Rielero" Arriola, 148, iced Baby Escalante, 145, in the first round.

▶ MONTERREY: — Raymundo "Battling" Torres, 137, the Baby Killer, arose from the canvas to stop Guillermo "Chicharrita" Medina, 135, Venezuela, in the sixth round of a rugged fight. Torres visited the canvas in the fifth but in the same round he three times floored the Venezuelan and broke his chin. In the other tenner, Salvador Bernal, 135, outscored Vicente "Pichon" Ramirez, 133.

▶ GUAYMAS:—Pedro "Huesitos" Gonzalez, 129, Cuba, stopped Joe Arias, 127, in the third.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Juan Ibares, 117, scored an 11-round TKO over Lauro Garcia, 118, to get the Guerrero State Bantamweight Championship. This match was a result of an elimination tournament ordered by the local Official Boxing Commission.

▶ OAXACA:—"Tibico" Torres, 117, kayoed "Chocolate" Barrera, 118, in the sixth round.

▶ TIJUANA:—Javier "Popeye" Garfias, 117, the Salina Cruz sailorboy, kayoed "Pajaro" Gonzalez, 119, in the second round. Sergio Gomez, 135, Chiapas Jungle Boy, kayoed Arturo "Dinamita" Aguirre, 132, in the first chapter. "Pulga" Serrano, 117, surprised the fans when he upset "Chucho" Hernandez, 118, in ten rounds. The show was staged to collect funds for unfortunate Kildo Martinez's folks. Kildo, a gallant, honest and brave fighter, was killed last month in a plane accident.

▶ OAXACA:—Rafael Camacho, 133, knocked out Beto Gonzalez, 132, in nine rounds. Gume Rodriguez, 123, outscored Babe Nogales, 126, in ten.

▶ MONTERREY:—Claudio Adame, 127, La Laguna destroyed topnotcher Kid Anahuac (Humberto Martinez), 126, in seven rounds. When the fight started, Adame, a rugged little man, cut Anahuac's eyebrow; in the 7th Claudio floored his famous foe. Anahuac arose from the canvas in very bad condition and the referee stopped the fight.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Adrian Rojas, 124, outpointed Alex Jimenez, 123, in ten. Adolfo Olguin, 130, KO'd Vicente Saucedo, 129, in the third round.

▶ TIJUANA:—Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 121, gained revenge for the loss handed him last March by winning a unanimous twelve round decision over Danny Kid, 122, of the Philippines.

BOXING IN SONORA
By E. Campillo G.

OBREGON:—ENRIQUE ESQUEDA, 147, KAYOED GILBERTO HOLGUIN, 144, El Paso, in the fourth round with a terrific left hook.

Frankie Silva, 121, and Pastorcito Gonzalez, 117, drew in an eight rounder. Chocolate Navarro, 140, won a six rounds decision over Texano Hurtado, 138.

Cameron Lopez, 127, and Pedro Hernandez, 124, drew in a sixer. Ramiro Nides, 112, took a four rounds decision from Charrito Velarde, 107.

▶ Obregon:—At the Estadio Gral. Alvaro Obregon, Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 119, stopped Rudy Corona, 117, in three rounds. Corona was dropped for a nine-count in the final round.

Everado Armenta, 148, kayoed Camilo Flores, 148, in the third round. Pedro "Patitas Chuecas" Garcia, 130, decisioned Freddie Aragon, 125, in an eight-rounder.

Chocolate Navarro, 140, kayoed Zurdo Araujo, 151, in four. Rigoberto Maldonado, 98, won a four round decision over Luis Fontana, 103.

▶ Obregon:—Miguel Lassus, 116, kayoed Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 118, in the fourth round.

Eddie Larranaga, 127, a southpaw, decisioned Jimmy Bernal (Kid Bachomo), 129, in an eight-rounder. Pedro "Patitas Chuecas" Garcia, 129, kayoed Frankie Villegas, 133, in the fourth round.

Sebastian Garcia, 126, kayoed Cirilo Perez, 122, Silvino Esparza, 118, decisioned Kid Aztequita, 113, in a four rounder.

CANADIAN TOPICS
By Lawson Bampton

EDDIE QUINN, CANADIAN BOXING AND wrestling promoter has announced that the Archie Moore-Yvon Durelle return match on July 15th will take place at the Montreal Forum, "where it never rains" as he says.

▶ In the month's action a crowd of over 1,000 were on hand at the Mont. St. Louis where undefeated local pride Bob Cleroux, 205, stopped Charley (Chuck) Hood, 189, Washington, D. C. in four. Hood, former Golden Glove champion, fought Cleroux on even terms for the first two rounds before Bob was able to gain the upper hand. He was landing almost at will when Referee Maxie Bergen stopped the contest.

Former Golden Glove champ Bill Pickett, 157, New York, won his fifth straight by halting Bruno Boucher, 157, Chicoutimi, in the second round. Yvon Turenne, 160, Montreal, stopped Teddy Roosevelt Myrick, 154½, Long Island, in the eighth. Lloyd McKay, 179, Detroit, stopped Leslie Borden, 179½, Montreal, in the fourth. Bad weather held the crowd down for the second show of the month at the Mont. St. Louis but those who did turn out saw a good action packed show in which Bill Pickett, 158, New York remained unbeaten by battering Marcel Piau, 159, Montreal, into a kayo defeat after 1:37 of the fourth round.

In the co-feature eight Yvon Turenne, 158, of Montreal stopped Jojo Jones, 167, of Detroit in 2:04 of the third round. Yvon was in command all the way.

In sixes, Leslie Borden, 180, outscored Benito Favotto, 186, in an all local bout. Jean Dulhoste, 138½, of Montreal, outscored southpaw Ronnie Cohen, 141, of New York and Eddie Smith, 135, of Montreal, made an impressive debut whipping Jerry Leroux, 134, of Montreal.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

AT SYDNEY STADIUM, GEORGE BARNES, Empire welter champion, was soundly outpointed by Joe N'Gidi, of Africa. N'Gidi didn't hurt George any but he did outpoint the champion comfortably and put himself in the running for an Empire title tilt. However, Australian Billy Todd has been mentioned as first opponent for Barnes in a title bout. Billy broke his left arm a few days after he had been tentatively matched with George, but the title bout has been held over until Todd's arm is OK.

Don Barnes, welter brother of George, was too good for Coogan Brown. Brown quit at the end of the fifth with a damaged hand, but Don would have won in any case. It was Don's second ten-rounder in a week. He lost on a foul to Brian Sheehan in the ninth round a week earlier.

▶ Don Barnes took a fight with Irish welter, Mike Leahy, at short notice Over twelve rounds, Leahy made an auspicious Australian debut by easily outpointing Barnes in a rugged fight. Bout took place at Melbourne.

A week after beating George Barnes, Joe N'Gidi saddled up again at Sydney Stadium to meet American George Berry, a lightweight, who weighed in at 141. Referee Vic Patrick halted the bout in the ninth to save Berry. Berry wasn't hurt, but he wasn't getting anywhere.

▶ Sandy Manuel, who turned in a poor display of foul fighting against Billy Todd a month ago (Todd joined him in the rough work) and who looked to have little ability, found his form at Sydney Stadium against Australian Billy Stanley, who lost his form. Patrick halted the bout in the ninth and crowned Manuel. We've seen Billy do much better.

▶ Final main-bout of the month was between English lightweight, Johnny Butterworth and Australian counterpart, Alfie O'Sullivan. Butterworth had too much experience and ran out a winner on points by a fairly large margin. Bout took place at Melbourne Stadium.

▶ Bantams Teddy Bell and Eddie Ellston turned on a good ten-rounder at Sydney on the night of the N'Gidi-Berry fight. Decision was a draw and ringsiders rewarded the boys with a large shower of coins.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN WITH PINKY MITCHELL
Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

▶ **WISCONSIN BOXING NEWS STRUCK A SORROWFUL NOTE** this day. Baby Joe Gans died with his boots on in the Urban League Gymnasium which he founded here 22 years ago. He received a heart attack while giving advice to a young amatuer boxer. To have known him is a valuable asset in your life. He was a strong influence among his people in the fight against juvenile delinquency.

Baby Joe (Gerald Slaughter) was born in El Paso, Texas, in 1899. Moved to California at an early age. Came to Milwaukee as trainer for Gorilla Jones in 1937 and has lived here ever since. He was returned to California for burial. He is survived by a wife, son and daughter.

Gans was a good fighter and fought the nation's best. To name a few, Jackie Fields, Lou Brouillard, Mushy Callahan, Al Hostak, Vince Dundee, Freddie Steele and Barney Ross. He started the gym with six youngsters who could not afford to pay for their lessons. The only equipment was a set of boxing gloves. Today the gym is completely equipped and the boxers Joe has taught numbers in four figures. We surely will miss Baby Joe. In my book no one has done more in the last decade to keep boxing alive in Wisconsin than Baby Joe.

▶ At La Crosse: In the first boxing show of the season, Al Sparks, Winnipeg, Canada, defeated George Jarosch, Milwaukee, in the eight round windup. Jarosch was knocked down in the 1st round. Both weighed 172.

Roger Wakefield, 169, La Crosse, took a four round decision from Don Weber, 162, Milwaukee. Irwin Harlo, 135, St. Paul, and Willie Harris, 133, drew in four. Jerry Mulle, 144, Brownville, Minn., tko'd Baby Ray Murphy, 140, Chicago, in the first round. In a six rounder, Art Wilburn, 137, Galesburg, Ill., won a split decision over Arnold Sparks, 139, Winnipeg.

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

VIC CAMPO, 113½, FORMER FLYWEIGHT CHAMPION OF THE PHILIPPINES, outpointed Baby Espinosa, 111½, third flyweight contender of the Philippines, in a 10 round main event in Grace Park, Caloocan, Rizal.

Marcing David, 118, Makati, had an upset night over veteran Villeza Villar, 119, in 10 round supporting main event. Joe Cruz, 115, stopped Lourdinez, Jr., 114, in the 3rd.

Kid Tacio, Jr., 115, son of veteran boxer Kid Tacio of 1930 knocked out Jess de Leon, 114, in 5. Terry Castro, 114, outpointed Paul Pascual, 115, in 6. Fighting Cito, 117, defeated Flor Nacilla, 118, in 4. Carle Aguirre, 112, halted Fred Ocampo, 114, in 4. Stots Kid, 111, won over Little Moro, 110, in 4 rounder.

▶ Army Wonder Boy, 126, badly outpointed Ernie Masangkay, 126, in 10 rounds in Camp Henry T. Allen of Baguio City. It was a big night for the armymen, when the soldier's hand was raised in victory and received the golden belt donated by Sec. Yengco and awarded by Brig. General Manuel T. Flores, Superintendent of the Philippine Military Academy. The promotion was sponsored by La Perla Cigar and Cigarette Factory for the benefit of the Philippine Military Academy Trust Fund.

Clever Dible Jr., 120, was too clever for Kid Leo Dulay, 122, in 6 rounds. Rod de Guzman, 118, bested Freddie Doclis, 119, in 4.

▶ Boxing in Baguio City will back to its feet again with the appointment of Brig. Gen. Manuel T. Flores in the Philippine Military Academy, the West Point of the Philippines. Being an athlete during his school days, General Flores had encouraged amateur and professional boxing in every camp he had stayed. He had Capt. Juan Laconico, former amateur lightweight champion, to train fighters among the army men. Fort McKinley stadium was opened when Gen. Flores was the commander.

▶ Little Cezar, 126½, won over Hisao Kobayashi, 126½, Oriental featherweight champion, in a 10 round non-title bout at the Coliseum. The decision was unanimous in favor of the Filipino who received a cut on his left eye. This bout was promoted by Mamerto Besa.

CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

SYDNEY, N. S.: BLAIR RICHARDSON, 156, SYDNEY, SCORED A SEVENTH ROUND T.K.O. over Tiger Ray Steele, 159, New Glasgow, N. S. The strong youngster of Sydney took complete charge shortly after he had tagged Steele after the bell in the third. Given a five minute rest by Referee Portana Smith, Steele came back strong in the fourth but was running out of steam through the fifth and sixth as the boys stood toe to toe and slugged it out.

John MacNeil, 156, Sydney Mines, belted out Noel Morais, 163, Big Pond, C. B., in two. In fours, Dave MacLeod, 150, South Bar, C. B. outpointed Vince Donovan, 150, Ingonish, and John MacLean, 128, knocked out Kyte Donovan, 128, Ingonish, in two.

▶ In the recent Canadian Army Championships held in Winnipeg, Canadian Maritimes Boxers cleaned up nine of the eighteen titles at stake (open & novice) and were voted the outstanding group of the meet. The championships ended on a sad note as Nathan Paris, New Glasgow, winner of the novice middleweight title was killed in a car as it hit a bridge on his trip home. Six others were hurt, all boxers, including Johnnie Downey, Truro; Don Morris, New Glasgow; Herbert MacAulay, Negzie Harb, both of New Glasgow; Bill George Stubbert, Halifax, and George Walker, Alder Point. Harb, Downey and Paris were all former young pros before joining the army.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

STAN HARRINGTON, 152, NOW STATE (ALOHA) WELTERWEIGHT champion, copped a close decision over Frank Bielma, 149, of California in a ten round fight at the Civic Auditorium. The fight was as close as any fight with a winner could be. Judges Cho and Benny Beruan scored it 48-46 and 47-45 respectively in Harrington's favor, while referee Louis Freitas had it even at 46-46.

Harrington shook Bielma with his best shots but Bielma's best only annoyed the local champion.

Gross receeipts for the fight, which was promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., was $3,568.50 with 1,672 fans in attendance.

Henry Mailolo, 134½, decisioned Bobby Pereira, 129½, 4 rounds. Al Palpallatoc, 122, beat Larry Dingui, 119½, 4 rounds.

Mike Rivera, 137½, drew with Benny Rodrigues, 137¼, 4 rounds. Bobby Herron, 129¼, outpointed Mike Toth, 130, 4 rounds.

▶ Showing in his second main event in two weeks, which is about as often as he has ever fought before, Stan Harrington handily outslugged Alvaro Gutierrez of Mexico to win a unanimous ten round decision at the Civic Auditorium. All three ring officials had Harrington winning by at least six points.

The fight was a bit too one sided to be really interesting but it was hard fought and turned out really bloody.

Harrington, 149¼, didn't increase his following by the way he fought. He bided his time and fought only in spurts. Even when he seemingly had Gutierrez, 149, in a bad way he failed to go all out. Most of the time he seemed content to fight only enough to hang on to his lead.

A good crowd of 3.945 fans paid a gross gate of $8,986.50. The fight was promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd.

Floyd Gatiuan, 121, beat Al Palpallatoc, 121, 6 rounds. Ray Perez, 114½, decisioned Larry Dingui, 115, 5 rounds. Anacleto Battad, 154, outpointed Willy Sulzmann, 154, 4 rounds. Lionel Rivera, 124¾, knocked out Bobby Kid Herron, 124, in the second.

ROCHESTER NEWS
By Charlie Keese

THERE WAS NO PRO BOXING IN ROCHESTER during February or March. But Rueban Green traveled to Syracuse and dropped a decision to Paul Barkel of Syracuse, on the Ryff-Rosi card. Green previously knocked out Barkel in 2 rounds in Rochester.

▶ In an amateur show sponsored by the Ticket Takers and Ushers' organization, six bouts of three rounds each and two of five were scheduled. In the five, Joey Leroy of Canada beat Bill Salter of Buffalo. They are welters. Omar Secord of Hamilton, Ont., stopped Aam Andeerson, Buffalo light heavy in the fifth round.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

LESS activity than usual, with the summer season approaching, but there were still a number of interesting programs in all parts of Europe. Scandinavia was notably busy and shows were also held in Austria, Belgium and Holland. It is good for boxing that Mr. Reis, the Belgian manufacturer, has resumed promoting since things were never so bad in Belgium as they are today. Only one fighter from Belgium is listed on our ratings—Cossemyns—and there are very few prospects on the way. More optimistic is the picture in Austria, where regular promotions have led to more youngsters joining the paid ranks and in Finland, where several good amateurs are expected to go over shortly. Things are going well in Spain, too, with numerous new recruits but here there is a shortage of top-line attractions. The absence of Galiana and Manolo Garcia is keenly felt and if Young Martin is shorn of his European title in Helsinki, which may easily occur, the Spaniards will be hard put to find major attractions.

▶ **Milan,** Italy. For Duilio Loi it must have been like old times. It is quite a time since one of his fights has brought large crowds to the Vigorelli Stadium but his title-clash with Emilio Marconi attracted 20,000 spectators. Since they last met in 1952 much water had passed beneath the bridge. Loi had almost scaled the heights and was at least top dog among Europe's lightweights while Marconi had moved into the welter class and captured the European title. Loi is a fighter who pulls out all the stops only when he feels that his opponent may be dangerous with the odd result that one may class as nonentities most of the lads who have gone the distance with him. Marconi is not a dangerous hitter but is a most experienced warrior. Loi went out to get him early and in the third round he threw a left and a right to the chin which made the floor bounce into Marconi's face. It was all over bar the count but the gong sounded at "8" and Emilio came out for the fourth. Loi sprang across to his victim but a stiff left hooked his legs from under him and for a brief moment Duilio paid his respects to Mother Earth.

Chastened by this resistance, Loi relied more on outboxing his man, which he did brilliantly. In eleventh, he saw his chance and nailed the champ with a right hook which floored him for "5". Up again and down again was Marconi but the gong sounded. Try as he may, Loi could not land a finisher and Marconi lasted the full 15 rounds. Winner by 8 points was Duilio Loi, Europe's new welter champ.

Mino Bozzano whipped Joe Bygraves of Jamaica in a heavies ten, André Drille edged Bruno Fortilli in a middles ten and Massimo Zanaboni trimmed young Adriano Amati in a heavies eight.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain. Chato Ramos knocked out Perez Artero in the eighth and last session of their welter clash at the Gran Price and Francisco Carreno trounced Lopez Durban in an excellent bantam eight. José Ungidos, promising welter comer, laced Emilio Ruiz Amatria in six.

▶ **Brussels,** Belgium. There was a full house at the Sports Palace when Gracieux Lamperti topped the bill against the lightie champ, Louis Van Hoeck. This must have been very encouraging for Frans Reis, who has only just returned to promoting after a dispute with the Belgian Federation and even more encouraging was the fact that Van Hoeck lasted the distance against the Corsican Crackerjack. It later transpired that Lamperti had damaged his right in the opening round but in any case, Van Hoeck made a good scrap of it and made a great impression with his aggressive sallies which often took Lamperti by surprise. Lamperti, however, won by a wide margin. Alain Cherville, heavyweight trialhorse, found himself on the winning end for once when he stopped Horst Herold of Germany with a split eye in round two and veteran Emile Delmine stopped Michel Serenus, middle from Martinique, in five.

▶ **Milan,** Italy. A program devoted to new talent was headlined by a clash between Federico Friso and Sergio Biggioggero. The former had just gone the distance with Gawie De Klerk in South Africa and touted sufficient confidence to outscore the youngster over eight rounds, heavyweights.

▶ At **Leghorn,** the rising ex-amateur star, Franco Nenci, did well to outpoint Nedo Stampi in a fast lightweight ten while Mario Sitri trounced Giacomo Spano in an excellent bantam ten.

▶ At **Salerno,** Annibale Omodei slid further down the scale by losing to Giorgio Pappalardo in a lightweight eight and Tony Borraccia edged out Gaston Casarico in a feathers eight.

▶ **Tours,** France. Flyweights don't often draw big crowds these days but the title-clash between holder André Gasperini and challenger Jean Guerard drew a record gate of over 6,000 paying over 3½ million francs. Guerard, a redoubtable puncher on his best days, put the blast on the champ, downing André five times before his manager wisely threw in the towel.

▶ In **Lyons,** another star increased in brilliance when André Vairolatto outfought Louis Poncy in a torrid feathers ten, dropping the ex-champ in the second round. Big Paul Schiller halted Francois Delannoy in the third of a heavies slam and Michel Vinot iced Jacques Sorriaux in the opening frame of a middles affair.

▶ **Roubaix,** France. Lanky Robert Duquesne undoubtedly carries a punch but he also totes a glass jaw. Robert Eugene, Belgian blubber-man, was not the fighter to endanger the Duke and finally retired, badly mauled, during the seventh heat. Albert Younsi trimmed Louis Oberto in a bantam eight.

▶ At **St. Quentin,** Paul Roux kept in the race for lightheavy honors by trouncing Pedro Klyssen of Holland over ten and at **Bourges,** Ahmed Sebane licked Henri Cabelduc in a welter ten and Jacques Poinson drew with Babesse in a feathers eight.

▶ **Paris.** At the Central, Hubert Di Martino did well to stop André Corvasce.

▶ **Stockholm,** Sweden. It was a sell-out at the Royal Tennis Hall when Ingemar Johansson appeared in a final exhibition before his forthcoming ruckus with Patterson. Ingemar boxed with Australia's Neville Rowe and although he impressed style-wise, his corpulence gave some cause for comment. The 4,500 crowd reserved most of its applause for young Lennart Risberg, who despatched Harry Dodoo of Ghana in the second session of their cruiser clash with a powerful right hook. In the main spot, Torner Ahsman fought an eight-round draw with Sifa Kivalu of Tonga and another British colonial, Kimpo Amarfio of Ghana, won over Lajos Flesser, exiled Hungarian, in a bantam six.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain. It was a battle of contrasting styles when Ben Hattab, visiting Tunisian lightie, pitted his technical skill against the sporadic opportunism of Jose Crespo and on this occasion, Hattab pulled it off with ease in a fast eight-rounder. Francisco Frances drew wiht Francisco Ortega in a toe-to-toe middles slam and Antonio Martin whipped Bruno Striani, Italian novice, in a welter six.

▶ In **Barcelona,** Juan Amaya created a mild upset by trouncing Manolo Correa in a lightheavy eight.

▶ **Paris.** The Salle Wagram was packed when Aissa Hashas took on gallant Roland Goujon, who lasted into the fourth round before his manager slung in the towel. For Hashas, known as "El Jaguar", this was his eighth straight win. Jean Houbloup stopped Corbanese in the opening round of a feathers fray and Edouard Lewko iced Jean Michaud in the fourth of a middles melee.

▶ At **Bordeaux,** Andre Drille halted Bob Stevens of Belgium in the sixth of a middles affair.

▶ **Ghent,** Belgium. Carl Van Neste, promising welter champ of Belgium, disposed of Harko Kokmeyer in six rounds here when the referee halted hostilities. The national feathers tourney was won by ex-champion Jean Renard, who defeated Eddy Roelandt over ten rounds while veteran Louis Cabo trimmed Rudi Christiaens in a lightweight eight.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain. Bobby Ros opened very warily against Guizani Rezgui, who recently defeated him in a catchweight affair. Ros did most of the work but both fighters were warned during the fifth and sixth for lack of action. The ninth was the best round, with Ros attacking grimly. A draw was given, roundly booed by the crowd. Juan Cardenas suffered a serious reverse by losing out to Kamara "Bobby" Diop of Senegal in a bantam eight while Frank Garcia drew with Sauveur Benamou in a lightweight eight.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(FOR MONTH ENDING MAY 20, 1959)

HEAVIES	LIGHTHEAVIES	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Inge Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Duilio Loi (I)
2. Mino Bozzano (I)	Sante Amonti (I)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Massimo Zanaboni (I)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Peter Muller (G)	Stefan Redl (G)
4. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Emilio Marconi (I)
5. Ulli Ritter (G)	Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Chris Christensen (D)
6. Ilkka Koski (FN)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Laszlo Papp (HY)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
7. Albert Westphal (G)	Charles Colin (F)	Andre Drille (I)	Maurice Auzel (F)
8. Toerner Ahsman (SW)	Yao Kouame (F)	Gian Garbelli (I)	Fortunato Manca (I)
9. Bruno Scarabellin (I)	Dieter Wemhoner (G)	Michel Diouf (F)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)
10. Jose Gonzalez (S)	Karl Mildenberger (G)	Leen Jansen (H)	Piet van Klaveren (H)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Lahouri Godih (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Piero Rollo (I)	Mimun Ben Ali (S)
3. Guy Gracia (F)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Jean Guerard (F)
4. Fred Galiana (S)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
5. Bobby Ros (S)	Giordano Campari (I)	Pentti Hamalainen (FN)	Jose Ogazon (S)
6. Victor Pepeder (F)	Antoine Martin (F)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Andre Gasperini (F)
7. Epiphane Akono (F)	Andre Vairolatto (F)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Edgar Basel (G)
8. Manuel Sosa (F)	Jose Martinez (S)	Mohamed Zarzi (F)	Salvatore Burruni (I)
9. Fernand Nollet (F)	Louis Poncy (F)	Eugene Le Cozanet (F)	Pierre Rossi (F)
10. Guizani Rezgui (F)	Ray Nobile (I)	Kader Azzouz (F)	Rene Libeer (F)

LEGEND: B Belgium D. Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; HY Hungary; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden.

▶ **Rome.** Spectators at the Palazzetto had the unusual experience of watching a boxer being knocked out twice in the same fight. Rino Borra, hitherto undefeated in the pro ranks, was obviously outclassed by Michel Francois of France, who neatly side-stepped the charging Italian time and time again, always catching his man with a savage uppercut. Borra landed a few telling clouts in the fourth and there was a clash of heads in the fifth which left both men with cut eyes. Borra went down in the sixth from another uppercut, staggered to his feet and was counted out, almost, when the referee suddenly decided to get medical advice about Borra's eyes. The doctor okayed the injured optic and Borra continued the fight. Refusing to be cheated of his victory, Francois dropped his foe for the second full count and this time it stuck. In the main bout, things went from bad to worse. Ted Wright is no longer the Dark Destroyer of yesteryear and his confused welter debate with Attu Clottey of Ghana was stopped in the fifth round and declared No Contest. This was something of a panic decision by the referee to placate the restless spectators. Charley Douglas stopped Mario Calcaterra in the fourth frame of a lightweight slam without hindrances and Proietti drew with Putti in a terrific welter six.

▶ **Dortmund,** Germany. The European cruiser title remains in the Vaterland but unless Erich Schoppner smartens up he may soon cede his crown, judging by his display against Rocco Mazzola at the Westfalen Hall. Admittedly, the handsome Teuton was hampered by a cut eye from the second round and the other one was gashed open in the eleventh. This may have decided Schoppner to box his way home, which he did very well, winning the first ten rounds but after this he tired rapidly and Mazzola staged a grandstand finish, though far too late. The Rhinelander is counter-punching remained dangerous until the final gong and the French ref had the champion seven points ahead at the end. Albert Westphal lost his heavies bauble to Hans Kalbfell in a rip-roaring struggle. Kalbfell, 203, towered over the blond Hamburger, who had wrested the title from him last year and for most of the way it looked as if Westphal would repeat the trick. But at the end of the ninth Kalbfell nailed the champ with a right and a left and Westphal reeled away, raising his right arm as if in surrender. The gong went and Westphal came out for the tenth. A storm of punches overwhelmed him and Kalbfell shot over a left hook that dropped the champion to floor to be counted out.

Max Resch returned to action but failed to impress against Jacques Barlet of France, whom he stopped in the sixth round after five rounds of ineffectual crudities and Harry Kurschat, 136, halted Cesar Fuentes, a Spaniard from North Africa. Klaus Langhammer, 159, tangled with Manfred Hass too early in his career. After downing the more experienced Hamburger in the fifth, Langhammer was himself forced to retire in the seventh. Manfred Graus, 147, won over southpaw Andre Mauguin in a six-rounder.

▶ **Besancon,** France. Once again Jacques Herbillon managed to keep his grasp on the national welter title when he was declared to have drawn with challenger Michel Lombardet in the latter's own bailiwick after a very even 15 rounds of nip-and-tuck.

▶ At **Brest,** the other end of France, bantam champion Eugene Le Cozanet had less luck in a title-defense, being stopped in nine rounds by the Algerian Mohamed Zarzi, a comparative newcomer whose sole important bout to date was a points defeat by Terry Spinks in Britain.

▶ **Blois,** France. The rock-hard physique of Mariano Echevarria provided highly-touted Gilbert Chapron with an insoluble problem. Name and fame meant nothing to the rugged Spaniard, who held southpaw Chapron to a draw in a cruiser ten.

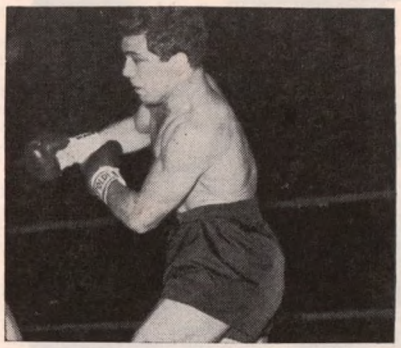
▶ At **Grenoble,** local welter star Andre Davier did well to lick Ben Buker II of Spain. Despite his determined resistance, the Spanish champ is evidently on the decline. Jacques Collomb nodded Stan Sobolak in a bantam ten. To round the week-end off, Gaston Mathieu flattened Jules Lambour in the fourth of a welter fracas at **St. Brieuc.**

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain. In the only paid bout on an otherwise amateur bill, Domingo Lopez took every round in a middles eight against Francisco Frances.

▶ **Aalborg,** Denmark. Local lightweight Sander Bonde was again in good trim before his fellow-townsmen and as well for him that he was. For he soundly whipped Albert Muller of Germany, who lost a very disputed verdict to the Dane a few weeks previous. Bonde thus whipped Muller over eight rounds, but who hasn't? Gerd Muller, no relation of Al's, lasted ten rounds with Chris Christensen but it was a regular Calvary for the German, who lost by a mile. Martin Hansen, Britain citizen now, laced Tiger Sno of Holland in an uneventful middles eight and Frede Petersen lost out to a Swedish national called Tivador Balogh in a feathers six. Herr Balogh was once a Hungarian.

▶ **Rotterdam,** Holland. Piet van Klaveren did well to outscore the hard-hitting French welter, Jean Debondant, in a bright ten-rounder at the Riviera Hall. Jo Lamers, fragile middles hitter, got his in first against Charles Luce of Guadeloupe and obliged Luce to retire in round three.

▶ **Paris.** After the Ballarin-Papp fight at the Sports Palace one could but wonder why such a fight should take place. Papp is a



Duilio Loi of Italy, European lightweight champion, gained Continental welterweight honors when he defeated the champion, Emilio Marconi in a fifteen round bout at Milan, Italy. Loi then automatically gave up the lighter crown.

natural middleweight of stocky build, Ballarin a natural lightheavy who had to endure agonies to get down to the required weight. The two men fought to a draw, though it was generally agreed that Papp had won at least 7 rounds. Ballarin, a shadow of his normal self, showed his usual courage and rattled the experts by taking every blockbuster that the Magyar could throw and still come back for more. Also on the program was Antoine Martin, the coffee-colored clouter from the Caribbean who took seven rounds to demolish impish Letterio Petilli of Italy. It may be recalled that Petilli was the first scrapper to go the distance with Halimi, though on that occasion he had a weight advantage. Robert Tartari upset the plans of Pierre Vetroff by whipping the Marseilles bantam over eight rounds.

▶ **Bergamo,** Italy. Horacio Accavallo, torrid Argentine flyweight, won from Salvatore Manca in a return bout over ten rounds while Fortunato Manca defeated Carmelo Beraza when the Spaniard was ruled out in the third session of their welter clash.

▶ At **Alghero,** in sunny Sardinia, local boy Tore Burruni whipped Raton Osuna of Spain in a fast flyweight ten.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain. Jose Ogazon regained some lost ground by stepping out a points win over Simon Carnazza, mediocre French bantam, while Mimun Ben Ali of Morocco licked Roger Cappato of France in a robust bantam ten.

▶ In **Madrid,** Frank Garcia defeated Sauveur Benamou of France in a repeat welter ten and Antonio Diaz beat Santos Seoane when the latter was ruled out in the sixth heat of their bantam scuffle.

▶ **Helsinki,** Finland. Prophets are never honored in their own country, it is said, and this is true of many boxers. Pekka Kokkonen, in his ninth pro outing, outpunched Sam Langford of Nigeria and belted Langford to such good effect that Sam took counts in the second and fourth rounds, was rocking on the verge of a kayo in the eighth, yet Kokkonen was booed by the crowd when his arm was lifted at the end of ten rounds. The press voted for Kokkonen. Ilkka Koski is also going places, judging by the way he dismantled tough Tongan Sifa Kivalu, forcing the fighter from the Friendly Isles to surrender in round four. Risto Lukkonen punched too hard and too fast for Pancho Bhatachaji of India and won their flyweight ten hands down but the feathers eight between Pentti Rautiainen and Frede Petersen of Denmark, won by Pentti, was given the slow-clap. The attendance reached 7,300.

▶ **Laon,** France. It was almost a year ago to the day, since Gilbert Lavoine made his last appearance on his own stamping-grounds. This time the railroadman defeated Lou Mourros over ten rounds and still hopes to get a shot at the French middles title—at 38.

▶ At **St. Dizier,** the two Mullers were again in action. The gilt has worn off Gerd Muller's style since the Redl fight and he was stopped here by Michel Francois in six rounds while Albert Muller lost out to Dantas in a good lightweight eight.

▶ **Vienna,** Austria. The stocky French middle, Jean Ruellet, was invited once again to the City of Waltzes following his good stand against Laszlo Papp. His opponent this time was Hugo Kohler, the Yugoslav-born German, who tried desperately for a knockout but was unable to knock the dour Frenchman's feet from under him. The resulting draw rather favored Ruellet. Leo Potesil, 145, nearly came unstuck against Roger Ferragu, France, but rallied to wear the visitor down and force his retirement in the sixth round. Ziyaris Taki, 136, won clearly over rugged Fernand Morin but had a bad moment in the seventh when the Gaul slapped him down for a count of "nine", while ex-champion Willy Swoboda, 136, made a comeback by beating Andre Bailleaux over six rounds. Attendance was 6,000.

▶ **Essen,** Germany. A really excellent program featuring seven bouts was attended by only 2,000 fans here. A bad setback for Promotor Knorzer, who has done so much to revive boxing beyond the Berlin-Hamburg-Dortmund triangle. In the main spot, Bert Whitehurst, 198, took on Ulli Ritter, 211, one of Germany's foremost heavies and handed the Teuton a regular shellacking for the greater part of ten rounds, with Ritter making occasional counter-attacks which earned some respect from Whitehurst. Even the battered Ritter was surprised to be awarded a draw. Conny Rudhoff, 134, dynamic puncher carried too many guns for Si Mohamed, 132, and brought the Moor's run of German wins to a rapid halt by stopping him in the seventh round. Karl Mildenberger, 173, outboxed Pedro Klyssen of Holland over eight rounds and Hans Ducree, 158, trimmed Henny Van Berkum, another guest from the Land of Windmills, over eight. All in all, Dutch fighters had a tough run here but they all went the distance and finished strong. Gerhard van Eyck was on the losing end against Rolf Peters, 162, in a mauling eight-rounder and Nelis van Oostrum was the only Hollander to chalk up a win. The slamster from Amsterdam, 162, pounded out a points win over novice Egon Rass in four rounds and finally, Wenzel Bociek, 166, avenged a defeat from amateur days by trouncing Ernie Melchior over six rounds.

LEFT HOOKS FROM SCRANTON AND VICINITY

By Kenneth (Duke) Stigner

JOE SIMONE IN HIS THIRD PRO SHOW OF THE SEASON AT the South Main Street Armory, Wilkes-Barre, ran into a bad night when old man rain, coming down all afternoon and the evening of the fight kept the crowd to a scant 500 payees. In the feature bout of the night, Simone had Sugar Hart, ranking No. 2 welterweight contender, in with Willie (Kid) Johnson, Durham, N. C., for a scheduled 10-round battle.

Hart lost no time as he pounded Jackson through the ropes in the first heat, then seconds later caught Johnson with a jolting left to the chin, ending the match in 2:45.

Wilkes-Barre's fast climbing star, Bobby Barnes, caught a fancy Dan in one Roy Turner, Philly, who on my score card was ahead on points until Barnes caught up with Turner in the fifth.

Billy Pickett, former National AAU middleweight champion, gave Cleveland Zanders of Long Island, N. Y., a boxing lesson in another six, copping a unanimous decision.

In the best bout of the night Ronnie Cohen, Bronx, N. Y., won over his foe Leroy Howard, Philly, in the second round. Cohen, a real crowd pleaser and a two-fisted fighter, pounded round-house rights to his foe's body and head the full three minutes of each round until the knockout. Cohen had Howard on the floor for a nine count in the first.

Dick Turner, Philly, 147, gained a TKO over Billy Griffith, 146, in 2:55 of the second.

"Loser of Eleven in a row but still a Crowd-Pleasing 39-23-37 . . . ."

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

HOLYOKE—VALLEY ARENA—SCRAPPY LITTLE KID CHICK, 126, SOUTHWICK, required less than three rounds to put the silencer on Tony Rizzo, 124, New York.

George Edmunds, 140, Hartford, with former featherweight champ, Willie Pep, in his corner, exploded on Joe Gress, 136½, New York, in the second round. Steve Klaus, 134, Westfield, gained a split decision in the only bout to go the limit. He won his six rounder from Bobby Blair, 134, New York. Don Roy, 162, Holyoke, iced Kid Souza, 151, New Bedford, in the first.

▶ PROVIDENCE—Arcadia—Tommy Garrow, 138½, Claremont, N. H., New England lightweight king, literally punched holes in Iggy Maldonado, 136½, Puerto Rico, to stop him in the eighth round. Early in the eighth round a right to the body dropped Iggy, who arose at the count of three, but he had assimilated such a bad beating that Referee Ben Maculan halted the bout.

Willie Clemens, 172, New York, gained a close eight round decision over Joe Gomes, 167, Providence, in a real slugfest that stole the show. Mike DeFeo, 150, Boston, decisioned Lou Smith, 155½, Providence, in a six rounder. Richie Grissley, 135, Providence, flattened Charley Howard, 142½, Boston, in the first round. Anselmo Castillo, 126, Puerto Rico, stopped Shedd Smith, 130½, Fitchburg, in the third. Hank Georgio, 147½, Providence, halted Billy Lima, 143, Roxbury, in the first round.

▶ BOSTON Arena—Joe DeNucci, 166, Newton, handed Joe Jordan, 162, Bridgeton, N. J., a bad beating before he dropped him for the full count with a looping right to the jaw in the third round.

Young Beau Jack, 169½, Roxbury, won a unanimous duke from Cardell Farmos, 171½, Boston, in a bout that was devoid of action. Like the main event it was slated for nine rounds. Paddy Gill, 147, Dorchester, finished Frank Murphy, 150, Boston, in the second. Richie Graham, 140, Boston, starched Joe Gomes, 136, New Bedford, in the first. Jimmy O'Malley, 149, Dorchester, stopped Ricky Martin, 149, Jamaica Plain, in the third round. Bob Shaughnessy, 124, Dorchester, halted Roy Alves Fowler, 127, Boston, in the second.

▶ NEW BEDFORD—Woodrow Wilson Hall —Jimmy Kelley, 132½, Lowell, also had his hands full with Tommy Haden, 128, Utica, who has been a stiff competitor for other N. E. fighters. Kelley was held to an eight round split decision in a lively bout.

Manny Burgo, 145, New Bedford, was awarded a tko victory when veteran Al Duarte, 147, New Bedford, was unable to answer the bell for the fifth round due to a cut over his right eye. George Maddox, 152, Hyannis, stopped Bobby Barrett, 150, Dorchester, in the third. Ronnie DeCost, 114, Brockton, outpointed Mario Marcocci, 118, Barrington, R. I., in four rounds. Johnny Otto, 160, Hyannis, halted Don Black, 158, Providence, in the first round.

▶ WORCESTER — Mechanic's Hall — Comebacking Curley Monroe, 146, Worcester, proved too sharp for plodding Pat O'Brien, 146¾, Ireland, in their ten round bout.

Danny Goslow, 155½, Worcester, gained a six round decision from Sandy Chani, 160½, Hudson. Paddy Gill, 152, Dorchester, stiffened L. C. Fields, 150, Boston, in the second round. Johnny Mastrangelo, 148, East Boston, routed Ray Bennett, 145½, Boston, in two rounds. Hank Georgio, 148½, Providence, continued his winning ways with a tko over Thomas Hinton, 144½, Boston, in two stanzas. Bob Shaughnessy, 128, Dorchester, kayoed Bobby Gomes, 130, Boston, in the second heat.

▶ PROVIDENCE — Arcadia — Nick Previti, 140, Boston, punched out a lop-sided decision over Joe DiPierro, 144, Woonsocket, to make it two in a row in their series.

Johnny Freitas, 174, Swansea, shortened the eight round co-feature to five rounds by stopping Bob Harris, 182½, New York. He had Harris on the floor four times en route. Dick Divola, 131½, Boston, needed only 90 seconds to dispose of Tony Tavares, 129½, New Bedford. Tony Bell, 152, Boston, flattened Don Vincent, 148¼, Providence, with a left hook to the body in the first round. The opener, also a one round affair, had Hank Georgio, 146½, Providence, finishing Dave Rogers, 142, New Bedford.

▶ NEW BEDFORD—Woodrow Wilson Hall —Jimmy Connors, 130½, local pride, gave the hometown fans little more than a peek at him when he stopped Bob Davies, 134, Roxbury, in the first round.

George Maddox, 152, Hyannis, racked up a convincing eight round decision over rugged Mike DeFeo, 151, Malden. Maddox bears watching as does Manny Burgo, who at 139½, New Bedford, gained a six round decision over classy George (Kid) Ross, 139, Hartford. Johnny Otto, 161, Hyannis, belted out Joe Christy, 157, Providence, in the second round. Eddie Sylvia, 151, New Bedford, decisioned Carmine Bazzano, 147, Hartford, in four rounds.

▶ PROVIDENCE—Arcadia—Chief Don Prout, 168¾, Providence, registered his 11th straight triumph with a four round kayo over Paul Rossi, 176½, Thompsonville, Conn.

Nick Previti, 138, Boston, was impressive in gaining an eight round decision over George Edmunds, 138, Hartford, in a pleasing bout. Paddy Read, 128¾, Providence, won on a tko in the fourth round over Bobby Reese, 124, Philadelphia, who was stopped as a result of a cut over his left eye. Mike DeFeo, 150, Boston, handed Hank Georgio, 150, Providence, his first loss in a six rounder. Lou Quirimi, 127, Providence, turned pro with a kayo over Johnny Sharp, 122½, Springfield, in two rounds.

▶ BOSTON Garden—Former world's welterweight king Tony DeMarco, 150¼, Boston, punched out a one-sided ten round decision over Eddie Connors, 151, Sharon, to step another rung up the comeback ladder. Connors, a good puncher in his own right, was always dangerous but he lacked the experience. There was only one knockdown, that suffered by Connors in the sixth just before the bell ended the session.

Cardell Farmos, 171, Boston, stopped Sal Cantino, 166, Chelsea, in the third of their five rounder. Each of the prelims was slated for five heats. Paddy Gill, 145, Dorchester, easily stopped Dale Jackson, 139, Providence, in three rounds. Dom Prestone, 147, Malden, and Jimmy O'Malley, 152, Dorchester, ended up all even. The Goldie Gomez, 159, Dorchester, and Johnny Mastrangelo, 155, East Boston, bout also ended as a draw. Richie Graham, 135, Boston, whipped Ken Perry, 128¼, Providence. Joe Fusco, 156, Waterbury, outpunched Dave Grant, 155, Roxbury. Bob Shaughnessy, 125, Dorchester, decisioned Young Wills, 121, Providence.

▶ NEW BEDFORD—Woodrow Wilson Hall —Jimmy Kelley, 131½, Lowell, flattened Jimmy Taylor, 136, Philadelphia, in the third round.

Jimmy Connors, 126, New Bedford, was awarded a tko over Kid Chick, 126, Southwick when the latter suffered a wide cut over his left eye. The commission doctor ordered the bout stopped between the fifth and sixth rounds. Tom McNeeley, 200, Arlington, scored an impressive kayo over Leo Pinto, 212, New York, in the second round. Eddie Sylvia, 142, New Bedford, spoiled the comeback of Don Southern, 145, Newport, by stopping him in the second round. Johnny Otto, 162, Hyannis, continued to mow down opposition by stopping Gene Simmons, 168, Miami, in the second round.

▶ RUTLAND—Mr. St. Joseph Gym—Tommy Garrow, 137, Claremont, New England lightweight champ, and a Mt. St. Joseph alumnus, returned home to stop Bobby Veal, 142, Boston, in the second round.

Jimmy O'Malley, 149, Dorchester, belted out Frank Howard, 146, Revere, near the end of the first round. Richie Graham, 138, Boston, needed two rounds to dispose of Jim LaMonte, 139, Malden. Ronnie DeCost, 112, Brockton, was awarded a tko when Larry Rose, 118, Boston, decided he had enough and quit in round three. It was the longest bout. Jimmy O'Connor, 145, Dorchester, iced Albie Reynolds, 139, Roxbury, in the first round. Gordon Parker, 138, Athol, stiffened Chuck Jones, 140, Roxbury, in the second heat.

▶ PROVIDENCE—Arcadia—Chief Don Prout, 168, Providence, gained a split eight round decision over Johnny Freitas, 170, Swansea, in an interesting bout.

Joe Gomes, 168, Providence, stole a lot of the thunder from the main go by getting up off the floor three times in the first round and winning an eight round split decision from Tony Bell, 160, Boston, in a spectacular battle. Dick Divola, 132, Boston, halted Ken Perry, 127½, Providence, in the first. Hank Georgio, 149½, Providence, outboxed Jerry Keip, 146½, Pittsfield, in a four. Fred McCray, 151, Boston, stopped Billy Martin, 157, Worcester, in the first heat.

RATINGS

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Larry Jones won from Obdulio Nunez, 6. Robert Scott stopped Willie Miller, 2. Dickie Williams wrested South African title from Johnny van Rensburg, 12. Willie Westbrook stopped King Farouk, 5.

Rolando Rodriguez Drew with Manuel Machado, 6. Mike DeFeo beat Hank Georgio, 6, but lost to George Maddox, 8, George also beat Johnny Bradley, 6. Len Mont kayoed Tony Mendoza, 2, Artie Cunningham stopped Willie Joe Johnson, 1.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

British champion Dave Charnley became Empire titleholder as well by kayoing Willie Toweel, 10.

Guy Gracia held to draw by Billy (Spider) Kelly, 10. Battling Torres kayoed Cesar Saavedra, 2 and Guillermo Medina, 6. Vicente Rivas edged out Arthur Persley, 10. Jamie Gine defeated Antonio Repollo, 5. Larry Boardman kayoed Javalana Kid, 8. Florentino Fernandez stopped Paddy DeMarco, 5.

Hilario Morales defeated Teddy Davis, 10. Jimmy Brown outpointed Ron Hinson, 10. Ezequiel Uribe halted Arturo Lopez, 7. Canadian Champion Richie Howard decisioned Tommy Nethercott, 10.

Spanish Champion Bobby Ros drew with Guizani Rezgui, 10. Cesar Orta kayoed Carlos Rodriguez, 8. Gene Gresham bested Chuck Taylor, 10. Fred Galiana kayoed Ramon Altamirano, 2, and drew with Julio Febres, 10. Roy Ankrah outfought Ray Akwei, 8.

Alex Arenas kayoed Tobe Penaloza, 7. Al King outpointed Pat Mallane, 12. Aissa Hashas stopped Roland Goujon, 4. Chico Morales defeated Ike Vaughn, 10, and Tommy Tibbs, 10. Harry Kurschat stopped Cesaro Fuentes, 4.

Carlos Arregui won from Enrique Castillo, 10. Joey Reynolds kayoed Joey Parks, 5. Rafael Camacho halted Carlos Loyola, 5, and Beto Gonzalez, 9. Tommy Garrow kayoed Bobby Veal, 2. Salvador Bernal whipped Vicente Ramirez, 10.

Cosme Rodriguez stopped Al Olivera, 4. Carlos Hernandez stopped Isaac Espinosa, 6, Angel Chapman, 1, and Francisco Serrano, 6.

Baby Valencia kayoed Agustin Argaez, 3. Dick DiVeroncia stopped Norm Gautreau, 5. Lupe Garcia beat Babe Castro, 10. Jimmy Kelly kayoed Jimmy Taylor, 3, and Ben Jones 2. Louis Del Garza defeated Lee Hearnes, 6.

Ray Zamora stopped Jesus Rodriguez, 4, and beat Carlos Rios, 10. Ed Beattie defeated Rocky Randell, 10. Stan Fitzgerald won from Mickey Driscoll, 6. Johnny Butterworth outpointed Alfie O'Sullivan, 12. Pedro LaBarrere won over Francisco Serrano, 8.

Rip Randall stopped Henry Watson, 6. Nick Preveti defeated George Edmonds, 8. Charley Douglas kayoed Renato Giacche, 6. Oscar Ortegon beat Elias Reyes, 6. Art Wilburn beat Arnold Sparks, 6, but lost to Maurice Burks, 5.

Sid Adams stopped Brown Lee, 5. Hilton Smith decisioned Freddie Cozart, 6. Sid Lugo whipped Jesse Watson, 6. Henry Berrera defeated Gary Sturdivant, 6.

Norman Smith stopped Bernie Bibbs, 2. Clarence Ford beat Mickey Gallagher, 6, but lost to Vic Diamond, 6.

Flory Olguin defeated Henry Gutierrez, 8, and Joey Limas, 10. Steve Hayward kayoed Kid Hurricane, 1. Cisco Kid defeated Valentin Rangel, 8. Richie Graham beat Ken Perry, 5, and kayoed Jim LeMont, 2. Sammy Allen whipped Harlow Irwin, 6. Louis Molina kayoed Tommy Hunter, 1.

Tony Sanchez defeated Rudy Sanchez, 8. Carmie Price kayoed Dick White, 2. Gordon Parker kayoed Chuck Jones, 2. Walter Taylor won over George Quinones, 6.

Ronnie Cohen and Joe Smyer drew, 6. Ronnie Kayoed Leroy Howard, 2. Marcel Bizien defeated Nino Malave, 6. German Reyes kayoed Don Hubbard, 1.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Boots Monroe and Kid Irapuato drew in 10.

South American champion Ricardo Gonzalez kayoed Alberto Rodriguez, 3, defeated Manolo Garcia, 10, while Garcia beat Alfredo Penna, 5. Paul Jorgensen stopped Rudy Gonzalez, 3. Claudio Adame kayoed Kid Anahuac, 7. French Champion Gracieux Lamperti whipped Louis van Hoeck, 10. Returning to ring after year's absence, Cherif Hamia stopped Robert Meunier, 4. Ernesto Figueroa outscored Ike Chestnut, 10.

Sugar Ramos stopped Angel Guerrero, 4. Fili Nava beat Angel Guerrero, 10. Lauro Salas whipped Tano Serna, 10, and Johnny Shaw, 10. Alfredo Urbina decisioned Gil Cadilli, 10. Javier Garfias kayoed Jorge Gonzalez, 2.

Ray Ming Chan bested Sutichai Kanongsuk, 10. David Rodriguez beat Ray Martinez, 10. Martin Rodriguez and Tony Padron drew, 10. Hector Garcia halted Chino Gonzalez, 3. Little Cezar scored over Hisao Kobayashi, 10.

Brazilian Champion Sebastiao Nacimineto defeated Oscar Vargas, 10. Baby Saroni kayoed Joel Marquez, 7. Army Wonder Boy beat Ernie Masangkay, 10. Aryee Jackson outfought John O'Brien, 8.

Alfredo Bunetta whipped Jose Casas, 10. Adrian Rojas bested Alex Jimenez, 10. Jesus Rodriguez stopped Octavio Salas, 7. Ramon Cerventes stopped Paul Harris, 2. Manuel Alvarez kayoed Hector Miranda, 2.

Pedro Gonzalez kayoed Grillito Aguilar, 4, and Joey Arias, 3. Aldo Gamboa kayoed Ricardo Adasmo, 8, and beat Roberto Castro, 10. Manuel Alvarez whipped Beto Rodriguez, 10. Clemente Quijano won from Jorge Salazar, 10. Juan Ramirez whipped Chebo Vazquez, 10.

Antonio Gomez won from Esteban Abraham, 10. Mike Hernandez drew with Kid Neon, 10. Jimmy Connors halted Kid Chick, 5. Lalo Camarena defeated Chino Castelan, 8, but lost to Chilo Barranco, 10, Chilo lost to Nacho Dominguez, 10. Alberto Navarro stopped Miguel Juarez, 2.

George Reiter decisioned Ray Smith, 8. Paddy Read stopped Bobby Reece, 4. Manny Yamashiro defeated Papelero Rodriguez, 10. Chico Escalante stopped Rolando Fortiz, 3.

Rudy Sanchez stopped Adolfo Olguin, 2. Baby Rojas defeated Kid Saucedo, 10. Vernon Lynch defeated Clifton Bradley, 6. Don Johnson kayoed Hal Carroll, 5. Jomo Jackson outpointed Kid Rainbow, 8.

Dick DeVola kayoed Ken Perry, 1. Frank Valdez kayoed Rudy Valdez, 2. George Page and John Bermudaz drew, 6. Pentti Rautiainen decisioned Frede Petersen, 8.

Aurelio beat Raymundo Garza, 6. Bob Shaughnessy beat Young Wills, 5.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

World Champion Alphonse Halimi stopped Al Asuncion, 5, (non-title). Jose Lopez kayoed Kid Laredo, 4, Chango Ceballos, 4, and Rudy Corona, 3, then outpointed Danny Kid, 12. Joe Becerra kayoed Billy Peacock, 1. Ramon Calatayud upset Leo Espinosa, winning on a foul in 8. Manuel Armenteros kayoed Pollero Garcia, 2, Pepe Montes, 7.

Mohamed Zarzi won French title by stopping Eugene LeCozanet, 9. Spanish Champion Juan Cardenas drew with Kamara Diop, 8. Jean Renard won from Eddy Roelandt, 10. Dwight Hawkins kayoed Nacho Escalante, 9. Aime Devisch decisioned Raphael Dias, 10.

Toro Ibarra outpointed Hector Hicks, 10. Eder Jofre kayoed Sal Suarez, 4. Miguel Lazu kayoed Chuy Rodriguez, 2, and Jorge Herrera, 4. Frankie Duarti decisioned Edgar Basel, 10, Basel bested Frankie Bravo, 6. Lauro Garica stopped Martin Ortiz, 5, but was kayoed, Juan Ibares, 11.

Baby Brown won from Ignacio Pina, 10. Tacuba Hernandez decisioned Cheto Fernandez, 10. Kimpo Amarfio outpointed Lajos Flesser, 6. Enrique Serrano outscored Chucho Hernandez, 10. Panchito Saldivar beat Tibico Torres, 10, Torres kayoed Chocolate Barrera, 6.

Marcing David scored over Villeza Villar, 10. Memo Diez stopped Jorge Herrera, 3, Cain Rogero kayoed Juanito Mendoza, 3. David Rodriguez kayoed Pancho Villa II, 7. Jacques Colomb outpointed Stanis Sobolak, 10.

Kildo Vargas drew with Jorge Gonzalez, 10. Rodolfo Ampudia and Cholo Diaz drew, 6. Miguel Diaz beat Mario Fernandez, 10. Benny Casing won from Joe Rios, 6.

Jose Santos whipped Ubaldo Sanchez, 12. Edmundo Esperza bested Apolinar Anaya, 8. Efren Juarez kayoed Torito Navarrette, 4. Pajaro Gonzalez won over Nicho Gonzalez, 10.

Jorge Nunez stopped Felix Triana, 1, and Luis Regueira, 2. Ramon Sarmiento defeated Abe Villa, 6. Domingo Chavez won from Paco Mugica, 8. Robert Tartari won from Pierre Vetroff, 8.

Floyd Gatiuan whipped Al Palpallatoc, 6. Pastor Gonzalez drew with Frankie Silva, 10. Alejo Mejia defeated Unga Cardoso, 10. Kong Foo kayoed Johnny Hughes, 2.

Belgian champ Pierre Cossemyns outfought George Bowes, 10.

FLYWEIGHTS

Joe Medel kayoed Johnny Sarduy, 3. Hiram Bacallao won the vacant Cuban title by outpointing Jose Oliva, 12.

Goyo Flores kayoed Angel Coronado, 5. Jean Guerard won vacant French title by stopping Andre Gasperini, 13. Pedro Ortiz kayoed Arnulfo Pedrero, 3. Saul Becerril stopped Alfonso Palma, 3. Ricardo Maldonado drew with Arnaldo Villalba, 10.

Vic Campo defeated Baby Espinosa, 10. Ray Ruiz defeated Cuervo Salinas, 10. Terry Castro defeated Paul Pascual, 6. Miguel Ulloa drew with Eddie Luna, 10. Joe Cruz stopped Lourdinez Jr. 3.

Ray Perez defeated Larry Dingui, 5. Tino Padilla beat Jose Dominguez, 8. Mauro Miranda stopped Roman Rodriguez, 4. David Monroy won over Gabi Beltran, 6.

BRENNER FINALLY COMES TO ROOST IN GARDEN

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corner. Nedless to say the fight held in record heat was immensely successful.

Brenner has the Garden brass backhim up one hundred per cent.

Barrett, who took over the job about a year ago when Jim Norris's man, Billy Brown resigned, compiled a much better record than anybody had done in the years immediately prior to his taking over. This, despite the tough time that his own bosses were giving him.

Brenner is a top matchmaker and with his financial and moral backing should be able to come up with a better balanced program than did his predecessors. If he lives up to form, Brenner could put the Garden back on the map as the number one arena.

TV & BOXING

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of the Twenties, Thirties and Forties. Its a pity that his talent goes to waste, that one of the boxing shows doesn't snap him up, or a producer doesn't build a program around him, cashing in on his popularity, voice and knowledge.

SWEDES UP IN ARMS

With the world heavyweight championship fight between Floyd Patterson and challenger Ingemar Johansson due, the Swedish boxing fans are up in arms and twenty thousand of them have signed a petition protesting against the state-owned Swedish Radio Company's decision not to broadcast boxing matches.

The fans demand a direct transmission of the title bout, the first world championship match in which one of their countrymen has engaged.

It would appear that no matter how strongly the state-owned company feels on this matter it would only be right that they make an exception in this case. For the Swedes—boxing fans or not (and at this moment who in Sweden isn't a boxing fan?)—national honor is at stake and they should be allowed the courtesy of hearing for themselves how one of the most important battles since the days of the Thirty Years' War goes.

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THOSE FOR WHOM THE BELLS TOLL

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made a poor start, Louis seemed to be hitting his stride. He was beginning to score with his left hook and Schmeling, whose right had been unerring, was slowing somewhat.

But as the round-ending bell sounded, the German spotted an opening. Or perhaps it might have been the American's involuntary relaxing at hearing it. In any event, Max jammed across a right to the jaw that rocked Joe to his knees. Louis was still teetering as Referee Arthur Donovan broke it up and signalled him to his corner.

Eyewitnesses insist Louis never recovered from this shot. In the sixth and succeeding rounds he couldn't mount one rally to compare with what he'd started in the fifth.

Schmeling's methodical gunnery got on target again and he eventually pounded Joe into a 12th round knockout.

The Buddy Baer fight had a stunning first-round episode. Backing Louis to the ropes, the mammoth Buddy fetched him a right. It was a pretty good punch but its effectiveness was compounded by Joe's feet becoming tangled. Back he tumbled, through the ropes and onto the ring apron. He arose and returned to the ring in ample time but his pride was visibly hurt.

His anger tended to make him inaccurate in his punching. The lumbering Californian survived the first round, the second, the third, the fourth, the fifth and sixth. Anger-incited, Louis still was pitching as the gong sounded to end the sixth. His last punch, a right, contacted Baer solidly on the chin, and Buddy crumpled.

Ancil Hoffman, Baer's manager, jumped into the ring and assailed Donovan, the referee, whom Mike Jacobs used for virtually all of Joe's fights regardless of locale. *"You came down here (Washington, D. C.,) to protect Louis," he shouted. "You let him hit Buddy after the bell. If there's any fairness about you, you'll disqualify Louis for hitting foul and give us the fight."*

Donovan smiled grimly . . . Hoffman was asking him to award Baer the heavyweight championship on a so-called minor foul . . . and because of a punch that he, Donovan, recognized as either an accident or as a fair shot, depending whether it was on a fraction of a second early or late.

"You've got less than 60 seconds, Hoffman," the referee said firmly. "You be out of the ring by the time the bell rings for the seventh or your fighter will be disqualified."

Ancil, a little man with bright, darting eyes, obviously had added up the situation quickly . . . if he obeyed, Buddy was apt to be finished off in the next round; if he didn't, the dispute would endure and perhaps another fight grow out of it. He folded his arms across his chest and stood his ground.

The seventh-round bell rang. Donovan took a last hard look at Hoffman and gave the announcer his disqualification ruling.

As these things happen, Buddy got his return. He didn't finish the first round. Nor, of course, had Schmeling in his return.

For one of the strangest episodes in this chronicle of 'bell-ology,' the man to listen to is Tex Sullivan, veteran manager and matchmaker.

"I had Lee Q. Murray boxing regularly in Baltimore during the last war. There were a fair number of heavyweights around there and, with the war plants all going, the money was good.

"I had him in with Curtis Sheppard, Buddy Walker, Lou Brooks, Big Boy Brown. He was flattening most of them and the papers were getting to call him the 'interim' champion.

"In the summer they came up with an outdoor fight, for the 'title,' Harry Bobo with Murray. Bobo was a banger too and they figured it could do business in the old Orioles ball-park. They were right, it drew a big house.

"The fighters didn't disappoint either. It was one rocking, then the other. As I remember it, they were in the sixth round firing away when the bell rang just as Murray hit Bobo a beaut of a right. He looked like he was through and, when I saw the referee jump in, I figured he was stopping the fight.

"No, that wasn't it. He was disqualifying Murray for hitting after the bell. Wow! We all jumped in the ring and everybody was milling around for maybe three minutes. Murray was hot, real mad. he felt he'd been robbed, he wanted to hit the referee, the matchmaker, Bobo—the whole crowd.

"Then someone called me from the crowd and, as I turned my back, I heard a roar. I turned back again and there was Murray over in Bobo's corner, pushing and shoving with the referee who was trying to keep him from getting at Bobo.

"Then he ducked and slipped out of his grasp. He headed right for Bobo and began punching. Bobo got his hands up . . . for a minute the referee stood there dumbfounded. It didn't take him long to size up the situation, though. He waved us out of the ring, yelled to the timekeeper to start the clock and the fight was on again.

"Murray kept bombing and in a matter of a minute or so he nailed Bobo on the chin. It was a better punch than the other one and Bobo went to the deck completely out. The referee couldn't do anything now but count him out.

"It was two knockouts for the price of one and Murray didn't let me forget it. When we got back to the dressing room, he said, 'Tex, I got my satisfaction but ain't there no way I can get double pay for overtime?'"

Dipping further back into the past, you come across a piquant incident involving Primo Carnera and Young Stribling when they boxed in London. It was early in Primo's career and Jeff Dickson, at that time, was his steering committee.

Dickson could see no reason why this attractive pairing should be limited to one fight, especially since his bigger shows were in Paris.

As a result, the London fight was proceeding tamely late in the fourth round . . . that is, until the bell sounded, at which point Stribling fired a palpably late punch. In strict British fashion, he was disqualified. How had it happened? *"I didn't hear the bell,"* W. L. said blandly.

Within three weeks Dickson brought them back in Paris, before a big crowd eager to get a gander at the giant who had upset—if that's the word—the world-known American.

Some cynics have said that the debt had to be repaid. In any case, Stribling won this one on a foul.

The use of a bell to aid a fighter in distress runs through all antique ring annals but it has suggested itself in recent times too.

In the late 1940s Marty Servo, short-reigning welter champion, was attempting a comeback in Bridgeport. He was fighting Joe DiMartino, an erratic fighter with a punch, and Al Weill, his manager, was in his corner.

Barely a minute and a half of the first round had gone when DiMartino connected on Servo's chin with one of his pitch-butt specials. Marty crumpled and the count began.

Frantic, but resourceful, Weill raced to the side of the timekeeper. *"The round's over, ring the bell!"* he yelled. The timekeeper pointed to his watch. *"Your watch stopped, I tell you the three minutes are up, ring the bell!"* He refused again and now Weill grabbed for the rope to clang it himself. Three deputy commissioners closed in. And Al had to bow to superior numbers. The bell didn't ring and Servo was counted out.

No saga of the bells can be complete without recital of a coincidence some years ago in Stillman's, when that establishment was flourishing.

This particular day there were three fighters shadow boxing when the bell sounded to start the sparring. A spectator looked up—and gaped . . . for whom do you suppose the bell tolled? For nobody else than the then current three fighting Bells, Tommy, Bobby and Shelton!

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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act in such matters in the future. The best is to have concerted action—the revocation of a boxers' license not by one commission but by all controlling bodies as is done in Europe. In such case, by banning the champion in every country, he either would have to come to terms quickly or lose his livelihood in a manner that no court could find fault with.

But so long as members of the National Boxing Association and nonmembers like New York and Massachusetts, don't stand together as nations abroad do, existant conditions will continue. What America needs is the adoption of the code of procedure such as is followed by the European Boxing Union and the Orient Federation of Boxing.

One cannot blame Robinson for defending his stand with the statement that in his case discrimination is being practiced.

Neither the N.B.A. nor New York Commission threatened Floyd Patterson who prior to announcing the signing of a title bout with Brian London and Ingemar Johansson, had not defended his title since August 18, 1958 when he knocked out Roy Harris.

Let's face facts — either the six months boxing rule should be enforced in all territory or it should be abolished. Since it cannot and has seldom been enforced, let's do away with it and find sofething more adaptable.

If title defenses are carried out within a reasonable time, based on E.B.U. mandates in Europe and likewise in the Orient, there is no reason why similar procedure cannot be carried out in America.

A get-together is necessary.

WHAT HAPPENED AT BOSTON CORNERS

If in a quiz program a contestant were to be asked "where is Boston Corners and what historic event took place there, the contestant would in all probability flunk the answer. But to the directors of the coming Hudson-Champlain Three Hundredth Anniversary Celebration, that place has been selected for unique distinction. In a series of articles acquainting the public with historic events that took place in Columbia County in upper New York State, the celebration committee points out that the first bare-knuckles heavyweight bout in that part of America, was staged at Boston Corners and was listed, though improperly the records show—as for the American heavyweight championship. It couldn't have been for the title since Tom Hyer of New York City, conqueror of Yankee Sullivan, was the champion, but it was a battle of national interest. Part of the article prepared by the committee, reads:

"In one of the most remote and most sparsely populated sections of Columbia County in Upper New York State, is a triangular piece of land atop the Taconic Mountain range where New York, Massachusetts and Connecticut come together. It is on a sharp, steep slope, covered with thick underbrush.

"Near this tip of Columbia County is a sprawling, wild tract of about 1000 acres known as Boston Corners. In the remote days of yore, one didn't know to which state the land belonged and because of its remoteness and sanctuary offered by its legal status and its inaccessibility, it became a haven for criminals. It was known as a place without law, order or morals. Sheriffs from New York State and Massachusetts would not venture into the hills for two good reasons—1: fear for their personal safety on unchartered footpaths and, 2: if they did apprehend a criminal, they could not be certain in which state the arrest had been made.

"Horse thieves plied their equine wares through the hillsides of the Taconic range and reportedly purveyors of stolen horse flesh moved their four-footed boodle from Saratoga to Long Island race courses with a stop-over at Boston Corners.

"In this setting of easy virtue, was staged one of the most famous bare-knuckle fights in American history—that in which Yankee Sullivan faced John Morrissey. An aura of secrecy surrounded the preparations, but word spread quickly in sports circles and on the morning of October 11, 1853, a great exodus from the city of New York for Four Corners by way of the Harlem Railroad, began. Special trains, carrying upward of 3,000 fight fans, occupied the wooden coaches.

"The entire fight took 55 minutes at the end of which Sullivan was declared the loser. A free-for-all ended the bout in the thirty-third round. It was one of the most prominent heavyweight battles in the bare-knuckles era."

Today, Boston Corners is part of New York State and the township of Ancran is Columbia County. Its citizenry is still sparse but law-abiding. The little settlement probably never again will experience the great excitement engendered by the Sullivan-Morrissey brawl, but will be on the map again when the Hudson-Champlain celebration committee unveils a memorial placque on the site of the famous fight.

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

HARTFORD'S STATE THEATRE WAS THE SCENE of another boxing presentation under the auspices of the newly formed Boxing Club, Sports Promoters, Inc. with Johnny Cesario as promoter. Jim Higgins, long time Connecticut boxing figure was recently appointed the club's new matchmaker, and this was his first offering.

In a scheduled ten round main event Hartford's great welterweight prospect, Billy Lynch, 148, was opposed by Jimmy Peters, 151, of Washington, D. C. Peters was no match for the tall, rangy and very capable Lynch. Winning the first two rounds with ease, Lynch, opened the third round with a flurry of punches which spelled finish for Peters. For Lynch it was his 40th win in 43 starts and his 20th in a row.

Bobby Dalton, 149, Hartford, and Joe Reeves, 147, Waterbury, started where they left off in their last meeting, going at it hammer and tongs to the delight of the crowd, and stealing the spotlight from all the other bouts. Dalton once again received an unpopular six rounds decision.

Veteran Graham Holmes, Manchester, 141, in another comeback try decisioned "Red" Bernie Raines, 143, Stamford, in a very good 6 rounder. George Ross, 143, Hartford, was awarded a 6 round decision over stubborn Henry Robinson, 140, Paterson, N. J. Carmelo Acevedo, 124, Hartford, won over Dave Johnson, 125, Stamford, Conn., in a four. About 660 fans paid a gross of $1,320.

▶ Promoter Tony Paoli's first boxing show in Waterbury in over a year was topped by a 12-round main event for the Connecticut lightweight championship between Union City's "Irish" Pat Mallane, 134½, and up-and-coming Al King, 135, of Bristol. King who had never traveled over 8 rounds, crowded Mallane most of the way and scored with straight rights and left jabs to pile up a big lead that was almost wiped out by Mallane's last round barrage that rocked King several times. King was on his feet at the bell and was awarded a very popular decision.

It was a good fight to watch for the 700 odd fans who paid in a gross of $1,356.

Joe Fusco, 149, Waterbury, was awarded a TKO over Al Maglieri, 146, Hartford, in the fifth round. Maglieri suffered a severe scalp wound. Abe Davis, 194, Hartford, behind on points for three rounds, starched Billy Lambert, 201, Waterbury, in the fourth round.

In the best bout of the night, Joe Reeves, 147, Waterbury, was awarded an unpopular decision over Bernie Raines, 145, Stamford, in a ding-dong battle. Carmelo Acevedo, 124, Hartford, and Dave Johnson, 125, Stamford, fought to a popular four round draw.

IOWA-SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

THE FISTIC TALK IN THIS AREA AT THIS WRITING IS Terry Lewis, Sioux City's latest heavyweight comer. Recently we watched Lewis in action in Spokane, Washington, where the Iowa puncher stopped Don Jasper of Minnesota in two rounds. Jasper was the 14th kayo victim for Lewis in 15 fights.

▶ LAST MINUTE SPARKS . . . Professional boxing in Iowa is as dead as can be—a covered wagon law just won't permit professional boxing. But you can sit right in your own home or any place that has a TV set and watch the sport. The state is like the duck in the middle of the pond—all states that border on Iowa have professional boxing—but not Iowa.

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HERE COMES THE IRISH

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Roque Maravilla, now his stablemate. George also boxed in the National Guard winning all thirty-five of his bouts. An injury in the Guard tournament kept him from competing in the Western Golden Glove championships in Chicago in 1957.

Twenty-two years old, a solid built six foot one, one hundred ninety five pounder he has won eight and drawn once in nine bouts, the draw being with the experienced Clarence Williams. His six kayo victims included Dick Tanner, Joe Sullivan and Bill Lanza. Lanza, a veteran journeyman, had drawn with Maravilla and beaten Joe Curcio, Doug Harper, Amos Lincoln and Cliff Schellin.

Bob McKinney is an ex gob whose dad was a career Navy man. Bob was born twenty years ago on the island of Guam where his father was stationed. Recently, Bob was discharged from the Navy and he is planning on entering the University of Washington School of Dentistry. He did some boxing while in the Navy but had only two amateur bouts both of which he won by one round kayos in Tacoma, which is now his home port.

A five-foot, nine inch, one-hundred-and-seventy-pounder, he has scored twelve wins in fourteen bouts, losing one and boxing a draw since launching his pro career in December, 1957. Nine of his wins have come via the knockout route.

An all-around athlete, he is an excellent water skier, a hobby he picked up during his tour of duty with the Navy in Hawaii.

Bob's boxing style is that of a lad who learned to fight by mixing with the Shore Patrol, an aggressive swinging bob and weaver with a shell-like defense. His big win was a three round kayo of experienced Canadian Leroy Flamond.

Donnelly is a fighting name that has lived in both song and story across the sea on the Emerald Isle. Young Jackie Donnelly of Buffalo, N. Y., is the direct descendent of the fabled Dan Donnelly, the first champion of Ireland, who ruled over the Irish fighters one-hundred-and-forty-years ago.

Jackie, an undefeated lightweight, is twenty years old and the second from the oldest in a family of five. His dad, John, is a bricklayer, who along with his eighty-year old grandfather are his two biggest fans.

Donnelly began boxing in the Buffalo Boys Club in 1950, going undefeated in 25 amateur bouts while scoring ten kayos.

He served twenty-eight months in the U. S. Army with the Infantry, mostly in Texas and New Mexico.

Among the service and amateur crowns he won as a feather and lightweight were the New Mexican and Western Golden Glove 126 pound titles in 1954 and the Buffalo Golden Glove 135 pound title in 1957.

Jackie started as a pro just about a year ago and has rolled up fourteen straight victories of which seven have been by the kayo route. He made his debut as a main bouter before the home town fans with a unanimous eight round win over Mickey Driscoll.

Jackie, who is a clever boxer with a sharp punch, has kayoed Braxton Reed, Ray Sanna, Cecil Barbosa, Tommy Brown and bested Al Simmons and Jimmy Damura, among others. He recently signed with Joe Netro, thus becoming a stablemate of Carmen Basilio.

John Patrick Britt is the only boy in a family of eleven. He has ten sisters and was forced to become a fighter out of self defense. He is a baby-faced twenty-year old, 132 pounder, who started boxing in the P.A.L. as a 112 pounder in 1957. He won the Middle Atlantic AAU crown and went on to capture the National AAU championship in Boston in April, 1958.

In the final bout, the youngster from Philadelphia was almost kayoed in the first round by Julio Lau, but came back to kayo his man in the second round to capture the title. He lost but once in seventeen amateur fights, recording twelve knockouts in his string.

Britt works as a copy boy for the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin and is a first year student at the Temple University School of Journalism.

Still growing, this gangly five foot, eleven inch lad, could fill out into a welterweight or even bigger but at the moment is still able to make 130 pounds. With his fine height and reach advantage he is able to use his left jab to probe the defenses of his opponents, to set them up for his sharp right crosses, which has accounted for four kayos out of his seven triumphs.

Britt has kayoed Jim Mitchner, Curly Stewart, Jesse Pallachio, Jose Santos and won over Tommy Curtis and Jackie Lennon.

His trainer is the capable Willie Reddish, one time topline heavyweight, who also developed Britt's stablemate, welterweight contender Sugar Hart.

WASHINGTON, D. C. CAPERS
By Mike Geary

WASHINGTON PROMOTER GOLDIE AHEARN PACKED THEM TO THE rafters at Capitol Arena for the first time in many months and the capacity crowd of 3,000 paid two, three and five dollars.

The occasion was the nationally televised match between Joey Giardello, 161, Philadelphia, and Holly Mims, 156½, local origin. Giardello won a split decision. Referee Eddie La Fond and Judge Benny Alperstein voted 91-88 and 95-92, respectively, for Joey, while Judge Julian Whitestone gave Mims the edge by 95-94.

In the sixth Mims landed the hardest blow of the fight, a crashing left hook to Giardello's jaw. Holly started the eighth round by scoring with both lefts and rights, reopened Joey's cut right eye and continued to score at will. At the end of the round, Giardello was covered with blood and looked weak on his pins. With the tenth appearing to be the crucial round, Giardello scored, blocked and refused to allow the tiring Mims to take the lead.

Dusty Gaither, 161½, Washington, beat Al "Sugar" Washington, 160, Cumberland, Md., in four rounds. Norman Smith, 132½, Washington, kayoed Bernie Bibbs, 137, Philadelphia, in the second round.

Sweet Sid Adams, 138½, Philadelphia, stopped Sweet Cakes Brown Lee, 135, Harrisburg, Pa., in the fifth.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By Hugh Shannon

ROUMANIAN-BORN PETER SCHMIDT, WHO NOW MAKES his home in Toronto, Canada, won a split decision over Gene Tortorice of Niagara Falls in Buffalo's Memorial auditorium. It was a nip and tuck battle all the way with Schmidt putting on a spurt in the final rounds to win. Schmidt and Tortorice fought at 150 pounds.

Pedro Martinez promoted the show which drew some 3,000 fans.

▶ Jim Netro, manager of Carmen Basilio, was in Buffalo two weeks ago to sign up Jackie Donnelly, a most promising lightweight who bids fair to become another Jimmy Slattery.

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS
By Joe Poodles, Sr.

AFTER A DISASTROUS SETBACK BY WAYNE BETHEA, BEL AIR, Md., heavyweight Warenell Boom Leter bounced back by trouncing Dave Bailey of Philadelphia at the Baltimore Coliseum by a unanimous ten-round decision. Outweighed 24 pounds, the aggressive Lester won nine of the ten rounds, dropping only the first heat to Bailey who weighed in at 208.

Al Flora's Charles Center Boxing Club promoted, 1,023 fans shelled out $2,060.50 gross gate.

The main event was held up for half an hour as no gloves at hand fitted the big fisted Bailey. While waiting to rustle up larger gloves promoter Flora threw in an extra bout and what a beaut it was. Cornelius 'Killer' McPaul, Baltimore welterweight, and Jimmy Biggs, Wash., D. C., banged one another around to a fair-thee-well with Biggs copping the duke.

Johnny Gilden, 147, Baltimore's outstanding prospect, won his seventh straight since turning in his amateur card by decisioning Andy Singletary, 149, in six rounds. Kid Hurricane, 140, Washington, D. C., was blown out with one booming body smash in the first canto by Steve Hayward, 135, of Baltimore.

Joe Salci, 139½, Wilkes Barre, looked real good in TKOing Saxey Robinson, 140, Wash., D. C., in the fourth round.

Teddy Eaton, 166, was winning the opening four-rounder handily over Bill Tyson, 169, only to get his eye cut in the third round, with referee Terry Moore stopping the action.

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY
By Max Yeargain

In the mismatch of the year, in the Midwest, Danny Hodge, popular Wichita heavyweight, with only eight professional fights behind him, was tossed in against Nino Valdes, cagy ring veteran of two decades, who gave the Kansan a savage beating, stopping him in the eight round before 3,559 fans at the Wichita Forum, who paid a gross of $13,503 to see the one sided affair.

Hodge was a mass of blood after the first few rounds, and at the end of the seventh was examined by Dr. R. G. House, athletic commission physician. As the bell rang starting the eight round, referee Elmer Million soon waved Hodge back, and raised Valdes' hand. Hodge fought his heart out, but gameness wasn't enough to beat the giant Cuban, who towered above him and outweighted the Witchitan 217 to 190.

In an upset in the 8-round semi windup, Donnie Ward, 175, Tulsa, Okla., decisioned Charley Pavlis, 175, Budapest, Hungary. Louis Del Garza, 135, Wichita, decisioned Lee Hearnes, 135, Tulsa, Okla., 6 rounds. Billy Bass, 158, Wichita, edged Vic Jordan, 157, Hutchinson, Kans., 4 rounds. Tony Alongi, 180, Hollywood, Fla., kayoed Gil Rand, 180, Tulsa in the second. Fred Martinovich, 138, Hungary stopped Clarence Lane, 138, Tulsa, Okla., in the third.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

POPULAR JIMMY MARTINEZ, 156, GLENDALE, ARIZ., had his hands full with good Artie Dixon, 161, Los Angeles in a Capitol Boxing Club (Paavo Ketonen) promotion at Madison Square Garden in Phoenix. Dixon was sharp but Martinez's experience paid off.

In the semi-final sensational Roque Proano, 153, scored a stunning KO over Leo King, 159, Los Angeles in 29 sec. of the fourth. Proano, 21, is a promising youngster. In fours, Leonard Monto, 151, Tempe, won his eighth straight by stopping Ricky Walker, 150, Los Angeles in three, and Solly Klein, 128, Los Angeles, stopped Tiger Morgan, 122, Phoenix, younger brother of L. C. Morgan in 1:36 of the second.

▶ Phoenix gladiators have been busy. Zora Folley went to Fort Huachuca to battle Roy Bullock for the troops, and then swung north to Denver for a go at Willi Besmanoff, whom he decisioned. The same night "Rock" Proano stopped Chuck Austin in Albuquerque and L. C. Morgan stopped Manuel Maldonado.

IDAHO REPERCUSSIONS
By Dick Eardley

BOISE HEAVYWEIGHT GEORGE LOGAN CONTINUED climbing the fistic ladder when he hurdled his toughest foe yet in Boise. Logan, 199, floored Jackie Torme, 190, of San Francisco three times in the first two rounds and went on to a lopsided unanimous decision. The victory kept Logan's unbeaten streak alive and ran his career record to 10-0-1.

Gene Turley, 157, Twin Falls, stopped John Handley, 162, San Francisco, in the second round. Joe Atchan, 160, San Francisco, kayoed Joe Sedillo, 154, Twin Falls in the first. Henry Berrera, 139, San Francisco, won a split four round decision over Gary Sturdivant, 139, Boise. Howard Pasley, 139, San Francisco, decisioned Kid Fernando, Dallas, in four.

ACTION AT ALBUQUERQUE
By Johnny Seubert

▶ **PROMOTER ERNIE VIGIL WHO WAS RECENTLY ISSUED A LICENSE** to stage boxing shows here, lost little time in putting on two action-packed shows within the month at the Civic Auditorium.

Lauro Salas, former world's lightweight boss from Los Angeles, tangled with Johnny Shaw of Phoenix in a bout which for continuous action was one of the best ever presented here in the Duke City.

Both fighters dealt and received heavy punishment. Shaw bled considerably from the nose and Salas was pretty well gashed over the eyes.

The scoring was very close with Salas getting the official nod.

Leonardo Monti, Phoenix, kayoed Tony Mendoza, Los Angeles, in round two. Both are welterweights.

Floyd Joyner, 196, kayoed Rusty Payne, 181, in round three.

Bob Howe, 171, decisioned "Big Boy" Holmes, 166, in four rounds.

Jesse Lerea, 128, unanimously decisioned Harold Jackson, 132, in a four rounder.

▶ Promoter Virgil's next card brought L. C. Morgan of Phoenix clashing with Manuel Maldonado of Denver in a scheduled ten round main event welterweight bout.

Morgan, hitting with much speed and effectiveness, dropped Maldonado for an 8-count in the first round, and then battered the Denverite out for the evening in 1:26 of round two.

In a sensational eight round semi-final, Flory Olguin, Albuquerque, unanimously decisioned Henry Gutierrez, Deming, in a lightweight duel. Olguin survived a third round knockdown to come roaring back and snatch the official verdict.

Rocky Proano, 155, Deming, was awarded a knockout win over Charlie Austin, 156, Phoenix, when Austin broke his right hand and could not answer the bell for the fourth round. Proano had dropped him for a knockdown in the third.

Peter Gunn, 126, Phoenix, unanimously decisioned Bob Harrington, 132, in a scheduled four which resulted in Harrington being suspended indefinitely for his alleged "poor showing."

Joe Valdez, Albuquerque, kayoed Perfecto (Chico) Segura, Santa Fe, in round two.

▶ Albuquerque Boxing Club: Flory Olguin unanimously decisioned Joey Limas in the ten round main event. This was a lightweight contest between local rivals.

Billy McDonald, 162, and Hank Raider, 178, went to a four round draw. Lee Damino, 139, decisioned Mike Kelly, 137. N. McDonald, kayoed Frank Moore in round 3. Both welters. Joe Olguin, 122, stopped Kenny Noland, in round 1. Lorenzo Brown, 151, kayoed Boyd Parrish, 155, in round 2.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

SUNDAY boxing came back with a BANG at The Sports Stadium, BRIGHTON. . . . The show was a huge success, and it may well be the forerunner of more successful promotions in and around the country. Johnny Howard, Holloway, 125, Southern Area featherweight champion, also one of the hardest punchers in the country, had to be content with a points win against Con Mount Bassey, Jamaica, 126¼, at the end of a hectic eight. . . . The bout that had the large crowd on their toes was that between Tommy Leroy, Redhill, 174¾, and Abe Stanley, Poole, 175¼, who battled every inch of the six rounds to the satisfaction of the fans, who immediately the decision of referee Bill Williams that Leroy was the winner, showered the ring with "nobbins". It was a pity that there had to be loser in such a sterling battle. . . . Stan Cullis, Coventry, 162¾, defeated Alan Peacock, Hull, 172, in the fourth, when the latter was forced to retire after receiving cuts above both eyes. . . . Freddie Dobson, Manchester, 127½, was very impressive in defeating Archie Hawkins, Glasgow, 126½, in the fifth. . . . Frank Bowling, Edmonton, 136¾, stopped Terry Harper, Walthamstow, 137¾, in the fourth. . . . Bob Coffie, Ghano, 137, stopped Alan Howard, Holloway, 136½, in the fourth.

▶ BELFAST . . . Joe Collins, Lisburn, 148½, and Don Martin, Formby, 148½, fought a draw in eight. . . . George Lavery, Belfast, 158½, easily disposed of Billy Riley, Bootle, 154, when the referee intervened in the fourth. . . . Teddy Tyrrell, Bootle, 120, and Benny Vaun, Belfast, 126½, fought a draw in six. . . . Jack O'Brien, Belfast, 144½, outpointed Gerry O'Neill, Belfast, 139½, in six. . . . Terry McManus, Belfast, 131½, stopped Tommy Foley, Dublin, 128, in the second.

▶ DERBY . . . Billy Calvert, Sheffield, 123¾, won a narrow points decision over Jerry Parker, Beeston, 123, in eight. . . . Colin Moore, Derby, 149, outpointed Tommy Masebo, Cardiff, 156¾, in six. . . . Ted Buck, Nottingham, 163, outpointed Tony Broadhead, Sheffield, 156, in six. . . . Tommy Power, Nottingham, 158, stopped Peter Goldie, Halifax, 158½, in the fourth. . . . Brian Hunt, Worksop, 136, knocked out Rico McMasters, Jamaica, 137½, in the third.

▶ BERMONDSEY . . . After ten hard fought rounds between Eddie Wright, Mile End, and Ron Redrup, West Ham, referee Bill Williams raised the hand of Redrup as a points winner, which must have been by a very narrow margin. . . . Both were inside 177 lbs. . . . George Cottle, Bermondsey, 142¾, took less than one round to dispose of Peter Hill, Leyton, 144¼, who was knocked out by a perfect right to the jaw. . . . Terry Brown, West Ham, 137¼, stopped Dave Chandler, Battersea, 138¼, in the third. . . . Hugh O'Neill, Walworth, 126, outpointed Jack O'Neal, Morden, 127, in six. . . . Vic Cowley, Hackney, 147¾, outpointed Mike Robbins, Camberwell, 149, in six.

▶ WEMBLEY . . . Kevin Duffy, Harrow, 142¾, a popular performer at The Town Hall, knocked out Terry Tulley, Brighton, 140, in the sixth and final round. . . . During the bout Tulley took ten counts before the fatal ten. . . . Jacob Dempsey, Antigua, 163, stopped Al Bereti, Glasgow, 162, in the fourth. . . . Roy Lake, Morden, 123¼, outpointed Barrie Smith, Dartford, 126½, in six. . . . Gus Harry, Trinidad, 152, stopped Tommy Hayes, Bristol, 151, in the second. . . . Johnny Summers, Islington, 140, stopped Joe Wunsch, Hungary, 138¾, in the fourth. . . . Billy Odwell, Camden Town, 117, was too heavy and strong for Johnny Hills, Brighton, 108, and the one sided bout was stopped in the second. . . . Teddy McGovern, Finchley, 151½, knocked out Terry Coombs, Peckham, 152¾, in the third.

▶ BRISTOL . . . Len "Luggie" Reece, Cardiff, 120, scored a clear points win over Eddie O'Connor, Dublin, 119½, in eight. . . . Billy Downer, Islington, 117, scored a big upset when he outpointed Don Braithwaite, Caerphilly, 115, in six. . . . Dudley Cox, Bournemouth, 159½, defeated John Plenty, Bristol, 163½, in the first when the referee intervened when the latter received a badly cut eye. . . . Peter Hegarty, Bristol, 124, made a successful professional debut with a points win over Jimmy Giles, Stepney, 127½, in six. . . . Jimmy Daly, Plaistow, 148½, outpointed Joe Ceroni, Italy, 145½, in eight. . . . Cliff Purnell, Bath, 197, won a slugging match against Brian Jelly, Bermondsey, 199, after a hard six.

▶ BELFAST . . . A "decision" which will go down in the history of boxing as "unique" was delivered at The Ulster Hall, Belfast, when referee Andy McDowell ruled out Teddy Peckham, Bournemouth, 127, DURING THE MINUTES' REST at the end of sixth round . . . Towards the end of the round Peckham delivered a left hook to the body which sent his opponent Trevor Martin, Bangor, 127½, down to the canvas clutching his protector. The bell sounded the end of the round and Martin rose and walked unsteadily to his corner. Meanwhile the referee shook his finger at Peckham and allowed him to go to his corner, and the incident seemed to be closed. . . . While being attended, Martin slid to the canvas from his stool, and the referee was called to his corner and then walked over to Peckham's corner and signalled that he was disqualified. When the decision was announced the crowd heartily booed the referee's action, and Peckham received a loud cheer as he left the ring. . . . Was the referee RIGHT will be discussed at the Area Council when Peckham's disqualification comes before them. . . . Tony McCann, Belfast, 144, gained a close points win over Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 142, in eight. . . . Mike Feeney, Banbridge, 127½, had to fight hard all the way to gain a points win over Andy Doherty, Derry, 129½, in eight. . . . Bernie Feeney, Banbridge, 130½, stopped Terry McManus, Belfast, 132½, in the third, the referee intervened after the latter had received a badly cut eye. . . . Jack O'Brien, Belfast, 142, outpointed Bobby Griffin, Carrickfergus, 141½, in six.

▶ NEWCASTLE . . . George Bowes, Hesledon, weighing 1 ounce inside 118, demonstrated his punching power once again by knocking out the European flyweight champion, Young Martin, Spain, 115, in the second round. . . . It was claimed by Martin and his advisers that they thought the count was six when the referee spread his arms wide denoting that the bout was over on "THE OUT". . . . The fact remains that Bowes seeing his opportunity as southpaw Martin threw a left hook meant for Bowes body, sent a straight right with plenty of shoulder behind it, to Martin's jaw beating him to the punch. Down went Martin and allowing for all the protests from the Martin camp, he was surely and truly knocked out to all rules of boxing the world over. . . . Derick Liversidge, Retford, 159, outpointed Orlando Paso, Nigeria, 158, in eight . . . Ken Harvey, Thornley, 157½, stopped Brian Coxhead, Preston, 163, in the sixth. . . . Ron Jackson, Newcastle, 154, outpointed Jimmy Lawson, Middlesborough, 153¼, in six. . . . John Bacon, Grangetown, 137, knocked out Freddie Bancroft, Cockermouth, 132¼, in the second.

▶ SHOREDITCH . . . Dave Stone, Battersea, 138, is steadily building up a reputation as a challenger for Dave Charnley's lightweight title. He did a workmanlike job in knocking out George Martin, Belfast & Bermondsey, 138½, in the sixth. . . . Johnny Simmons, Paddington, 138½, dealt out severe punishment to Tommy McGuinness, Edinburgh, 140½, for referee Jack Hart to call it a day during the sixth. . . . Tommy Gibbons, Hanwell, 176¾, won a gruelling bout over eight rounds against Gordon Corbett, Birmingham, 176½. . . . Bernard Dillon, Stepney, 114, stopped Rex Morris, Coventry, 109, in the fourth. . . . Len Wilson, Dagenham, 132¾, outpointed Billy Secular, Walworth, 132½, in six.

▶ NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . LONDON . . . Derek Lloyd, Chingford, 113¼ outpointed Frank Spencer, Wolverhampton, 115¼, winning every one of the eight interesting rounds . . . The members always ready to encourage combatants who please showered the ring with £36-10-0 "nobbins". . . . Dave George, Woking, 155¼, knocked out Charlie Fordham, Kings Cross, 154½, in the fifth. . . . Don Coshirel, Alderney, 121½, stopped Barry Ridge, Leicester, 120, in the sixth. . . . Mick Barone, Brixton, 112¼, outpointed Silas Boko, Nigeria, 114, in six. . . . Jake O'Neal, Morden, 128¼, did well to outpoint Tommy Williams, Cardiff, 128½, in six.

▶ FOLKESTONE . . . Matchmaker Eddie Derfield staged the first boxing show in eight years at The Marine Gardens Pavilion in which he gave the capacity crowd six interesting six rounders. . . . Jackie Bowers, Canning Town, 127, clearly outpointed Alex Bryant, Islington, 130¾, in six. . . . Tommy Hayes, Bristol, 148½, outpointed Terry Lake, Morden, 145, in six. . . . Tony Ratcliffe, Bristol, 163¾, outclassed Tony Broadhead, Sheffield, 162, and referee Harry Gibbs stopped the bout in the first. . . . Peter Anderson, Cricklewood, 148, was ruled out at the end of the fourth for hitting his opponent Gus Harry, Trinidad, 148, after the bell. . . . Johnny Collier, Bethnal Green, 129½, won a close decision over Roy Lake, Morden, 125¾, in a hard fought six. . . . Billy Odwell, Camden Town, 116¼, outpointed Billy Walker, Kings Cross, 115, in six.

▶ MANCHESTER . . . Con Mount Bassie, Jamaica, 129¼, defeated Andy Hayford, Ghana, 125¼, in the fifth when the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eye. . . . Brian Husband, Hull, 149, knocked out Steve McMannus, Manchester, 144½, in the fifth. . . . Johnny Cunningham, Huddersfield, 160, was disqualified in the third for hitting after the bell against Ken Chadwick, Altrincham, 157. . . .Cunningham was well ahead at the time and his impetuousness cost him the bout. . . . Johnny Boston, Blackburn, 118, knocked

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to May 20, 1959)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Yvon Durelle (G)	Dick Tiger (N)	George Barnes (A)
2. Brian London (E)	Johnny Halafihi (To)	Yama Bahama (B)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
3. Joe Erskine (W)	Mike Holt (SA)	Wilfie Greaves (C)	Gerald Gray (J)
4. George Chuvalo (C)	Sammy Langford (N)	Terry Downes (E)	Johnny van Rensburg (SA)
5. Joe Bygraves (J)	Arthur Howard (E)	Clive Stewart (A)	Tommy Molloy (E)
6. Dick Richardson (W)	Chic Calderwood (S)	John McCormack (S)	Attu Clottey (G)
7. Gawie de Klerk (SA)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Hector Constance (T)
8. Kitione Lave (To)	Ron Redrup (E)	Freddie Cross (W)	Albert Carroll (E)
9. Joey Armstrong (G)	Eddie Wright (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Billy Todd (A)
10. Allan Williams (A)	Al Sparks (C)	Dick Williams (SA)	Sandy Manuel (N)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. Willie Toweel (SA)	Percy Lewis (T)	George Bowes (E)	Dennis Adams (SA)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Bobby Neill (S)	Johnny Jarrett (A)	Frank Jones (S)
4. Ludwig Lightburn (BH)	Charley Els (SA)	Tommy Miller (E)	Derek Lloyd (E)
5. Jackie Hayden (C)	Floyd Robertson (G)	Eric Brett (E)	Jackie Brown (S)
6. Billy Kelly (I)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Derry Treanor (I)	Pancho Bhatachaji (In.)
7. Barney Beale (E)	Terry Spinks (E)	Dick White (A)	Malcolm McLeod (I)
8. Ron Hinson (E)	Johnny Howard (E)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Little Joe (G)
9. Dave Stone (E)	Sexton Mabena (SA)	Len Reece (W)	Moses Edeki (N)
10. George Bracken (A)	Charley Hill (S)	Billy Rafferty (S)	John Mtimkulu (SA)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

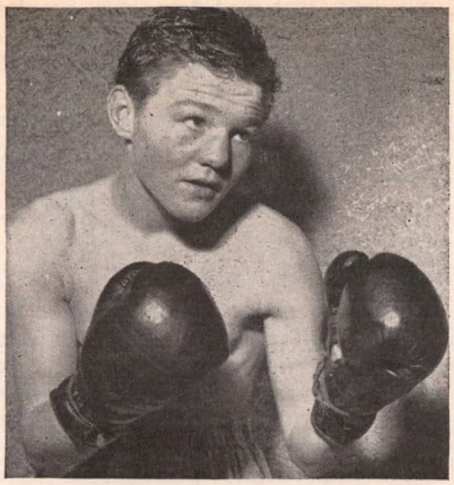
out Billy Sheerin, Blackpool, 114, in the fourth. . . . Chris Nelson, Lancaster, 134, stopped Brian Paxford, Wigan, 137, in the sixth. . . Brian Keen, Manchester, 178, outpointed Ronnie Crook, Chorley, 177, in four.

▶ GREAT YARMOUTH . . . The O'Callaghan family again won their bouts on one card. . . . Paddy O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 147, easily defeated Ted Batterham, Battersea, 148, and it was no surprise when referee Bill Williams stopped the bout in the fifth. . . . Peter O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 133, stopped Trevor Wise, Great Yarmouth, 138, in the third. . . . Johnny O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 121, stopped Jackie Marks, Shepherds Bush, 120½, in the second. . . . Jack Burley, Hackney, 147½, forced Freddie Collins, Chingford, 149½, to retire at the end of the fourth. . . . Johnny Summers, Islington, 142, outpointed Maurice Murfitt, Downham, 139, in six. . . . Lacy Stannard, Kings Lynn, 163, scored a good points win over Fred Balio, West Africa, 159½, in six.

▶ LIVERPOOL . . . MALCOLM Worthington, Crew, 160, continued his victorious reign with a fifth round win over Tommy Powers, Nottingham, 158. The referee intervened to save Powers further punishment. . . . Ronnie Vale, Leamington, 158, knocked out Bill Boyd, Birkenhead, 158, in the third. . . . It was an extraordinary ending to the bout between Richie Edwardson, Bootle, 148½, and Barry Burke, Jamaica, 150, which ended in the sixth with a knock out win for Burke. During a skirmish, both fell to the canvas. Edwardson was underneath and his head hit the apron of the ring, and as Burke rose it was seen that Edwardson was out to the world. After the fatal count he was able to leave the ring. . . . Harry Duffy, Bootle, 126, knocked out Billy Nelson, Lancaster, 127, in the second. . . . Pete Dutton, Warrington, 149, was declared the loser during the first session when he received a badly cut eye, and his opponent Bill Johnson, Ulverston, 147, was declared the winner. . . . Teddy Tyrrell, Bootle, 118, won convincingly on points against Paddy Walmsley, Preston, 115, in four.

▶ KING'S LYNN. . . Sam Langford, Nigeria, 178½, after taking all that Jim Cooper, Bellingham, 192, could hand out in the first two rounds, took a hand in delivering some of his own pet left hooks at the start of the third. Referee Pat Floyd after counting over Cooper in several knockdowns stopped the bout during the fourth to save the latter unnecessary punishment. . . . Aubrey Day, King's Lynn, 127, stopped Kofie Manu, Ghana, 125, in the sixth. . . . Fred Britton, King's Lynn, 165, and Ted Buck, Nottingham, 165½, fought a thrilling six to a draw. . . . Lacy Stannard, King's Lynn, 165, stopped Johnny Stansfield, South Africa, 160, in the fifth. . . . Brian Hunt, Worksop, 138, did a very good performance in knocking out Maurice Murfitt, Little Downham, 138, in the second.

▶ NOTTINGHAM . . . "THE MIRACLE MAN"! We have heard so much about "Miracle Men" & "Golden Boys," but one would have to go very far to match them with the 1959 "Miracle Man" viz-BOBBY NEILL of Edinburgh. Two demoralizing car crashes, the last incident in which doctors and surgeons gave it in their opinions that Bobby would NOT be able to carry on as a ACTIVE BOXER. . . . Promoter Sammy Docherty of Glasgow, always out to help the underdog, arranged a Testimonial Boxing Show which was a huge success, for Bobby Neill. . . . After a lay off for several months and longing for the boxing ring, Bobby secretly hied himself away to the gym to make one more attempt to regain his normal health. It came as a big surprise to one and all when it was announced that Bobby Neill was asking that his boxers license should be renewed. . . . I tackled his manager on the subject in front of Bobby and the manager replied, that there was no stopping him, as he, Bobby, was determined to have another go to try and win the British title at 126 lbs. . . . To cap it all, in his last bout before meeting Charlie Hill for the title, he suffered a fractured jaw, this caused one of several postponements to what was termed the on & off match. . . . It cost Promoter Reb King many a sleepless night and extra cash before he was able to put Bobby Neill, Edinburgh, 126, and Charlie Hill, Cambuslang, champion of Great Britain, 125 and 6 oz, into the ring to battle for the latter's title. . . . Of the fight itself, it lasted into the ninth before referee Jack Hart saw fit to stop the one sided bout in which Charlie Hill took ten counts. Congratulations to Charlie Hill for "Gameness Personified" and to Bobby Neill for "Guts" and Determination against all odds to gain the British featherweight title. . . . Johnny Halifihi, Tonga, 172½, and Guilio Rinaldi, Italy, 173½, threw more punches in their 10 round bout then one sees in two or three bouts between CHAMPIONS. . . . Every one of the punches were of the heavy calibre, and it was a wonder that neither of the two gladiators fell to the canvas from over-exhaustion. Referee Micky Fox declared that Halifihi had done enough to merit his decision, but according to the run of the bout it must have been by a very narrow margin. . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, 123¼, outpointed Eric Brett, Retford, 123½, in a spirited eight. . . . Johnny Lewis, Nottingham, and Eddie O'Connor, Dublin, boxed a draw in six.



Terry Spinks, former Olympic flyweight champion, outboxed Eric Brett in a spirited eight round featherweight match at Nottingham.

▶ BELFAST . . . Ted Williams, Huddersfield, 180, clearly outpointed Garnett Denny, Belfast, 204½, in eight. . . . Denny was having his first come back contest in three years. . . . Gerry Hassett, Belfast, 161, stopped Peter Goldie, Todmorden, 158½, in the fourth, when the referee intervened when the latter received a badly cut eye. . . . Brian Husband, Hull, 149, stopped Paddy McAuley, Belfast, 153½, in the sixth. . . . Berney Feeney, Banbridge, 131½, outpointed Andy Doherty, Derry, 129½, in eight.

▶ GLASGOW . . . Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, 120¼, British & Empire bantamweight champion, knocked out Charles Sylla, France, 121, in the second. . . . The Frenchman was no match for southpaw Gilroy, who took 69 seconds of the second round to hand over the coup-de-grace. . . . Johnny Caldwell, Belfast, 112¼, clearly outpointed Pierre Rossi, France, 113½, in eight. . . . Johnny Morrissey, Newarthill, 119, returned to the ring after a lapse of seven months, impressed with a three round knockout over Gerry Jones, Wigan, 119½. . . . Orlando Paso, Nigeria, 159½, outpointed Allan Dean, Birkenhead, 160, in a hard hitting eight. . . . Freddie Tiedt, Belfast, 144½, clearly outpointed Terry Lake, Morden, 144½, in six. . . . Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 118, scored a good points win over George Dormer, East Ham, 120¼, in eight.

▶ SHEPHERDS BUSH . . . Robbie Wilson, Dagenham, 128, scored a points win over Jerry Parker, Beeston, 124, in eight. . . . Tony Mancini, Shepherds Bush, 143¾, clearly outpointed Peter Anderson, Cricklewood, 145¾, in six. . . . Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 160½, stopped Dave George, Woking, 158, in the second. . . . Barrie Adgie, Derby, 112½, stopped Bernard Dillon, Stepney, 113, in the fourth. . . . Tommy Hayes, Bristol, 149, knocked out Tommy Murphy, Willesden, 147¼, in the fourth. . . . Jimmy Giles, Stepney, 127½, outpointed Peter Haggerty, Bristol, 122½, in six. . . . Jimmy Walsh, Balham, 131, outpointed Peter Hibbert, Shepherds Bush, 132, in six.

▶ CARDIFF . . . Johnny Thomas, Cardiff, 122, blasted Derrick Jack, Bristol, 126½, for the full count in 2 mins. 5 secs. of the first round. . . . Phillip Jones, Cardiff, 129½, stopped Terry Rees, Catford, 127½, in the eighth. . . . Ayree Jackson, Ghana, 125½, outfought John O'Brien, Glasgow, 127¼, in an exciting eight. . . . Ronnie Rush, Cardiff, 141½, coming in as a last minute substitute, did well to hold Johnny Melfah, Ghana, 145½, to a draw in eight. . . . David "Darkie" Hughes, Cardiff, 139½, had little trouble in outpointing Eddie Hughes, Walworth, 137½, in eight. . . . Howard Winstone, Merthyr Tydfil, 128½, clearly outpointed Tommy Williams, Cardiff, 126½, in six. . . . Don Braithwaite, Caerphilly, 118, outpointed Alf Parsons, Penycraig, 115½, in six. . . . Roland Hicks, Cardiff, 147¼, outpointed Gerald Kitchen, Cardiff, 145, in a hectic six.

▶ WALSALL . . . Johnny Smith, Portsmouth, 181, knocked out Max Earle, Doncaster, 181, in the sixth. . . . Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 131¾, scored a spectacular knock out over Ronnie Collins, Bristol, 127, in the second. Mark Quinn, Leyton, 117, and Johnny Brittle, Walsall, 120, fought a draw in six. Tex Marsh, Jamaica, 138, outpointed Dave Astley, Walsall, 144½, in six. . . . Razza Bailey, Coventry, 172, knocked out Alby Albino, Jamaica, 171, in the third. . . . Fred Balion, Gambia, 159½, outpointed Jimmy Edwards, Wolverhampton, 163, in six.

▶ SHOREDITCH . . . Dave Stone, Battersea, 137½, was declared the winner over Johnny Simmons, Paddington, 134½, in the second when the latter was ruled out for butting. . . . Reg Fisher, Leyton, 145½, won a thrilling victory over Ron Warnes, Erith, 145½, when the latter looking all over a winner, ran into one of Fisher's hard rights that changed the whole situation. When Fisher saw that he had Warnes in a bad way, he never let up with either hand, and it was no surprise when referee Tommy Little rightly stopped the bout in the fifth. . . . Eddie West, Bethnal Green, 130, was too good for young Brian Jago, Tottenhan, 127, and the referee intervened during the sixth and last round. . . . Freddie Collins, Stepney, 149, outpointed Mike Robbins, Camberwell, 148½, in six. . . . Peter O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 134½, outpointed Ron McMasters, Trinidad, 141½, in six.

▶ It is with deep regret that I have to report the passing of Fred Archer, one of the most popular welterweights of The Twenties. He was one of Nature's gentleman and a pleasure to meet at any time. He was buried in Sheffield at the age of 62 . . . "MAY HIS DEAR SOUL REST IN PEACE".

▶ BELFAST . . . Billy Kelly, Derry, 135½, and Guy Gracia, France, 136¼, fought a draw over 10 rounds before a crowd of 12,000 at George Connell's promotion at The Kings Hall, Balmoral. . . . During the early part of the contest Kelly (whose eyes had stood the test), took a good lead, and from the sixth Gracia came in to his own slowly but surely reducing the leeway. A last round rally by the Frenchman in which he scored with heavy rights to Kelly's jaw brought the score level in referee Ike Powell's book, and he called both boxers to the center of the ring at the end of the tenth to call it a draw.

Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 135¾, came into his own with a stirring points win over Ron Hinson, Dagenham, 133¾, in a thrilling and hectic ten. . . . Al Sharpe, Belfast, 144¾, former Northern Ireland lightweight champion, won the welterweight title from Paddy Graham, Belfast, 146½, after a very exciting twelve. . . . Floyd Robertson, Ghana, 127½, outpointed Con Mount Bassie, Jamaica, 126½, in eight. . . . Peter Lavery, Belfast, 114, outpointed Frank Spencer, Wolverhampton, 114¼, in six. . . . Paddy Kelly, Derry, 127, outpointed John Garrett, Belfast, 128, in six.

▶ ROTHERHAM . . .Arthur Howard, Islington, and Ron Redrup, West Ham, fought bar-room style for ten rounds before Howard was declared a points winner.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

CINCINNATI, LONG DORMANT AS A BOXING TOWN may soon get a revival of the fighting sport when Jimmy Brown, former trainer of heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles, completes his plans to promote professional boxing here.

Brown, if he should go through with his promotional plans, has plenty of amateur talent ready to turn to the pro ranks and from these youngsters, providing he operates regular, one or two of the youngsters are bound to show through and then he will have a buildup course ready.

My weekly boxing letter service at ten dollars per year has the highest circulation since it's start back in 1948 . . . anyone interested in same can send their subscription to Jimmie Amann, 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

ED BANG, VETERAN CLEVELAND SPORTS WRITER AND PROMOTER of the famous Cleveland News Christmas Fund boxing shows, enjoyed another celebration in his honor when five hundred persons gathered to celebrate his 79th birthday at Wade Park Manor. The proceeds went to the Ed Bang Athletes Cancer Fund for the American Cancer Center at Denver.

FROM OUR READERS

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prospects like Armstrong, That's discouraging.

3. Basilio is No. 1 contender only because, in my opinion, he is the former champ and his great showings in the two fights with the aging Robinson. Other than that, Basilio hasn't fought a top middleweight (example: Fullmer, Webb or Giardello) to really establish himself as a *true middleweight.*

4. A question arises in my mind as to how Basilio would do against young full grown middleweight contenders like Fullmer or Webb. I place more emphasis on Webb due to his fine performances against the division's tops.

In conclusion, I think Basilio has proved himself to be a great fighter, but I think he is a real welterweight and might still be holding that title if circumstances were otherwise. Basilio —Robinson is the big money fight; Webb-Robinson, I think, is the most deserved middleweight championship match.

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I'M NOT BIASED

Dear Sirs:

I write this letter after reading some annoying remarks in New York newspapers following the Patterson-London bout. As far back as Floyd's fight with Jackson, Gene Ward said only a wealthy man like Norris should handle a big promotion. Red Smith and Bob Sylvester called for the return of Norris and Carbo. I hope fight fans have not forgot Carter vs. Collins or Gavilan vs. Davey.

The title changes in the light, welter, and middleweight division are too numerous to mention. There were many odd upsets in non-title bouts also. Floyd may not rank with the great champs, but a decisive win over Johansson should place Floyd as far above his contenders as Joe Louis was in his time. Jimmy Powers has already knocked Ingo because of amateur defeats by Norvel Lee and the late Ed Sanders. I recall Marciano once losing to Coley Wallace in an amateur scrap.

Writers have ridiculed all of Floyd's defenses. Yet Harris and London were ranking contenders when Floyd fought them. Jackson was No. 1 contender when he had his title chance. There was no excuse for his Rademacher defense but Zora Folley drew no criticism for fighting Rademacher. Why should a contender meet soft touches if the heavyweight champ, who is allowed so non-title bouts, cannot meet equally inept foes. A champ should meet his No. 1 contender. Machen and Folley only held that post for a few months combined. Brown and Moore are allowed to bypass perrenial contenders like Johnson, Loi, and Lane.

I hope Floyd reads this and realizes that not all fight fans are misled by biased writers.

Philip Paul
Brooklyn, N. Y.

I LIKE GIRLS!

I want to express my appreciation for the excellent coverage you are giving girl wrestlers in the Ring. I would be pleased even more if you would publish more action pictures of the girls' bouts. My favorite is Judy Grable, the barefooted head-scissors specialist.

Girls' wrestling is a truly exciting and entertaining sport, and I think the skill and courage of these wonderful women is deserving of the highest praise.

Penny Beyers
Phila., Pa.

TURKS WERE BEST

Gentlemen:

In your recent article regarding George Hackenschmidt he states that the Turks were the best wrestlers. All of which I can believe. Yet he never mentions the great Husane, who wrestled Stanley Zybysko and all the great wrestlers!

I have heard my father and uncle speak of seeing the great Husane in Louisville, Ky.

It seems he wasn't as large as some of the old timers, being about 5 ft 10, 200 lbs.

And too he didn't mention Charlie Cutlar and Jack Curley an other well known wrestlers of the time.

Please write more about them.

Howard Ehart
New Albany, Ind.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

QUITE A BIT OF ACTIVITY IN THE LONE STAR STATE during the month of April. However, Houston went dark.

Matchmaker Don Milheim of Texas Boxing Enterprises, with headquarters in Houston, planning some big shows in the months to come.

Irish Johnny McKoin, the long haired walloper from Bastrop, recently scored a stunning sixth round knockout over Clarence Cook in Monroe, Louisiana. Dubbed by many as a little Mickey Walker, the rock-fisted 140-pounder may headquarter in Houston this fall.

▶ Brownsville, Nolan B. Aycock, Promoter:—Julio Ceniceros (110) Tkayoed Leopoldo Flores (109) three rounds. Aurelio Reyna (125) decisioned Raymundo Garza (125) six rounds. German Reyes (135) decisioned Preciliano Aguirre (135) eight rounds. Joe Cancio (159) decisioned Ernest Davis (160) ten rounds.

▶ McAllen, Hilario Cavazos, Promoter:—Miguel Juarez (129) decisioned Andres Garcia (128) ten rounds. Luis D. Soto (142) kayoed Julio de la Rosa (144) one round. Lupe Tamez (142) decisioned Alfonso Rangel (137) six rounds. Elpido Delgado (129) decisioned Guillermo Sedeno (130) four rounds. Francisco Fernandez (120) kayoed Antonio Ramirez (120) two rounds.

▶ Corpus Christi, George Samano, Promoter:—Donald Hubbard (140) decisioned Preciliano Aguirre (135) four rounds. Abel Escobar (140) kayoed Simon Rivera (147) two rounds. Oscar Ortegon (140) decisioned Arturo Diaz Mota (134) six rounds. Rudy Valdez (124) decisioned Alberto Cantu (121) six rounds. Alvin Williams (188) Tkayoed Alfredo Zuany (198) eight rounds.

▶ Odessa, Odessa Boxing Club, Promoter:—Ray Salazar (123) Tkayoed Willie Hicks (133) one round. Jack Ramsey (177) Tkayoed Johnny Rebel (189) two rounds. Clifton Lester (150) decisioned Lloyd Nelson (154) six rounds. Manuel Gonzales (142) Tkayoed Willie Estes (148) two rounds. Rueben Munoz (124) decisioned Henry Luera (125) ten rounds—Championship!

▶ San Antonio, Angelo Drossos, Promoter:—Armando Morales (128¼) decisioned Bobby Gregory (126½) four rounds. Luis Leija (115) decisioned Richard Guillen (119¼) four rounds. Frank Valdez (127) Tkayoed Rudy Valdez (121) two rounds. Alfredo Zuany (196) decisioned Mathew Jackson (175½) ten rounds.

▶ McAllen, Hilario Cavazos, Promoter:—Francisco Fernandez (120) kayoed Julio Ceniceros (112) one round. Pedro Arenas (165) kayoed Jose Gomez (165) one round. Luis D. Soto (145) kayoed Alfonso Rangel (143) one round. Alberto Navarro (132) kayoed Miguel Juarez (129) two rounds.

▶ Austin, Texas Youth Development Association, Inc., Promoter:—Sam Gray (145¾) kayoed I. V. Tillman (148) one round. Walter Moerbe (158) and Mel Barker (156)—Exhibition—four rounds. Roy Sparks (151¾) decisioned Roy Copeland (158) ten rounds. Lauro Salas (129¾) decisioned Tano Serna (130) ten rounds.

▶ El Paso, G. R. Licona, Promoter:—Edmundo Esparza (118) decisioned Apolinar Anaya (118) eight rounds. Arnulfo Melendez (137) kayoed Joaquin Medellin (137) four rounds. Gilberto Holguin (146) kayoed Wm. Ward E. Brad (149) two rounds. Reynaldo Terrazas (145) kayoed Richard Charles Kirby (141) two rounds.

▶ Brownsville, Nolan B. Aycock, Promoter:—Abel Escobar (140) Tkayoed Paulino Vasquez (139) three rounds. Richard Guillen (120) decisioned Jesus Garcia (118) four rounds. German Reyes (135) kayoed Donald Hubbard (137) one round. Oscar Ortegon (135) decisioned Elias Reyes (134) six rounds. Joe Cancio (159) decisioned Francisco Castro (146) ten rounds.

▶ Dallas, Ralph Smith, Promoter:—Danny Salazar (145) decisioned Daulton Caro (149) four rounds. Jack Ramsey (175) decisioned Roy Crear (175) four rounds. Willie Morris (172) and Lou Jenkins (162) draw four rounds. Manuel Gonzalez (142) decisioned Curtis Cokes (143) ten rounds. Tommy Sims (176) decisioned Wayne Womochil (191) ten rounds.

Buddy Turman scored a stunning 10th round knockout over burly Bob Albright in the feature attraction at Tyler. Turman was down himself in an earlier frame, but really starched the big West Coast heavy in the final heat. Turman was trim at 186, Albright 218.

In the co-ten Matt Plachy, 177, Budapest, Hungary, bombed Ralph Lucas, 175, Houston, to sleep in the second round. Rip Randall, 135, Tyler, stopped Henry Watson, 137, Dallas, in the sixth due to cuts. Walt Moerbe, 160, El Campo, and Roy Copeland, 160, Tyler, battled it out to a draw in six action packed rounds.

BOXING BITS FROM SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

In a brief and bloody sluggfeast, Dawthong Sinphanlok, 152, of Siam and Orient middleweight champion, stopped Teody Alama, 152 the Philippines, in the fourth round.

Alama was on the board three times, each trip for a count of nine. A right to the mouth during the exchanges in the second canto opened up an inch-gash over Alama's upper lip which bled profusely till the next frame. In the fourth, Referee JIMMY WELCH, former local lightweight champion, stopped the bloody fight.

In a 10 rounder, RAY MING CHAN, 126¼, Island featherweight champion punched out a clear-cut decision over SUTICHAI KANONGSUK, 124, 3rd. ranking Thailand feather.

Speedy KONG FOO, 116, kayoed JOHNNY HUGHES, 117, in the second. GOPAL VALDEZ, 109, eked out a six round decision over SENG LEONG, 115. Poh Juat, 126, and JIMMY KID, 120, battled out a four round draw. INIDAN PANTHER, 116, decisioned JEBOY HASSAN, 113, in four rounds.

The fight was attended by approximately 3,000.

"JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY"
By Bus Burke

SAM MUCHNICK, ST. LOUIS'S WORLD RENOWNED WRESTLING promoter, presented the world's Championship welterweight title bout at Kiel Auditorium with Don Jordan returning his crown via a unanimous decision against Virgil Akins, the ex-champ from St. Louis. Akin's was strong in the first four rounds, and administered a terrific body beating to the boy from the west, but conditioning paid off and Jordan weathered the rough four rounds to win easily. The story of the fight appears elsewhere in this issue, written by the Ring Editor.

The remainder of the card: Joe Patrick, 144, St. Louis, won with a decision over Leon Rossano, Indianapolis, 142¼, in six rounds.

Tommy Reynolds, St. Louis, 121½, decisioned Gene Dale, Robertsville, Mo., 123, in four rounds. Jeri Jordan, Chicago, 144, knocked out Benny Souvell, 146, Gary, Ind., in the third round.

Joe Reynolds, St. Louis, 139½, stopped Joey Parks, Omaha, 138, in the fifth.

▶One thing that might have handicapped Akins was the way in which his corner was handled. Between rounds the corner was cluttered up with as many as five seconds, all giving advice to an already befuddled fighter. What a contrast to Jordan's corner where two handlers were at work with their fighter, and everything was calm. The result speaks for itself.

A most unusual thing happened as to the officiating of this title bout was when Commissioner Charles Pian made the announcement publicly on the day of the fight that Harry Kessler would act as referee and that judges would be Howard Hess and Fred Connell. Heretofore the officials were chosen at ringside the night of the activity. It worked out all right this time, but what may happen in the future? Who knows what the gamblers might do?

I say to my good friend Sam Muchnick, don't let this be the last, but some time in the near future give the good St. Louis fight fans some more good fight cards featuring big name fighters.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Bill Colbert

ST. PAUL AUDITORIUM: DEL FLANAGAN, ST. PAUL, 160, WON A CLEAN CUT decision over Jimmy Martinez, 155¾, Phoenix, in a ten round fight. Flanagan showed a great left hand and jabbed his way to victory over Jimmy.

A crowd of 2,966 paid a gate of $10,267.67. Although there were no knockdowns, Flanagan had Martinez on the verge in the last round.

Bobby Daniels, 166, Duluth, outpointed Willie Washington, 175, Chicago (6). Leon Welsh, 155, Chicago, outpointed Lee Ballard, 157, St. Paul (6).

Ray Augustus, 179, Kansas City, outpointed Bennie Mason, 182, St. Paul (6).

Bob Anderson, 147½, Minneapolis, outpointed Ken Riege, 141, Cumberland, Wis. (4).

▶Buff Seidl, 65, a crack St. Paul lightweight boxer of the Mike Gibbons' era, died of a heart attack at his home recently in St. Paul. Buff boxed all the 135-pounders during the period from 1912 to 1920. He had been in the construction business since retiring from the prize ring. May his soul rest in peace.

▶While a student at the La Crosse State Teachers College, Jack Dempsey Tuttle, the son of Minneapolis' famed battler, King Tut, won the lightweight championship of the college. Veteran boxing men who have seen the good looking curley-headed 17-year-old blond youngster in action say that he showed the same speed and punching power that made his illustrious father the scourge of both the lightweight and welterweight divisions during the late 1920s and early 30s.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

BOXING TOOK A BACK SEAT TO THE "WRESTLING RAGE" WHEN 16,226 fans paid a gross of $40,394 and packed the Olympia Stadium to SRO capacity to witness an entertaining show staged by Jim Barnett and Johnny Doyle. The combination of Barnett and Doyle, while strangers to the local picture, showed that they are well acquainted with the ways of putting over a promotion.

The pair staged a weekly one-hour live televised show over CKLW-TV in Windsor as a build up to their shows at the Olympia. Fans quickly adopt their favorites and turn out in droves to see them in the flesh.

In all it was a wild evening, with men and women trying throughout the show to get into the act to help their heroes physically and with words. When restrained by the police and ushers they showered the ring with any throwable object handy. It was an eventful evening for all, especially yours truly who performed as the ring announcer.

The large crowd cheered and moaned to the antics of Angelo Poffo-Wilbur Snyder, Dick The Bruiser-Yukon Eric, Hans Schmidt-Emil Dupre, Wipper Bill Watson-Al Korman, Cowboy Ellis-Martino Angelo, and a tag team match between midgets Mighty Schultz-Pee Wee James and Little Beaver-Billy The Kid.

▶One way to be assured the best man wins, is to have the contest end by the KO route. Henry Hank, Detroit middleweight, did just that in his return match with Charley Joseph at the New Orleans Coliseum. Three weeks previously, Hank had lost a split and hotly disputed decision to Joseph.

However, there was never no doubt during their rematch and Hank handed his New Orleans opponent a solid drubbing until the contest was stopped at 2:44 of the sixth round. It was the first time Joseph was stopped.

Buried in the results of the recent NCAA boxing championship tournament held at Reno, Nevada, recently was the name of a native Detroiter, Bob Cornwell, now attending Washington State University. Bob, an outstanding local amateur champion, entered WSU on a scholarship earned as the most outstanding youngster of a local tournament here several years ago. In this his first year of eligibility, Cornwell was crowned NCCA 125 pound champion.

The only defending title holder to retain his crown was John Horn, of Michigan State. The 178 pounder hasn't been defeated since 1955.

▶After a lull of three months, boxing will attempt a comeback through the efforts of the Big D Boxing Club and promoter C. W. (Larry) Smith. Members of the Big D, composed of managers, trainers and fans, have assured Smith of a reasonable guarantee through advance tickets sales. For their first show, Michigan lightweight champion Gene Gresham defended his title against scrappy Chuck Taylor at the State Fairgrounds Agricultural Building. For the complete results of the show be sure to read next month's column.

▶While the Jim Barnett-John Doyle wrestling promotions have been an outstanding success to date, the efforts of Joe Spieser and Julius Piazza with the same but on a much smaller scale have not been as successful. The latter pair have employed Bert Ruby, popular former local grappler, but have failed to attract the fans in sufficient numbers to date for their weekly shows at the State Fairgrounds Agricultural Building. The boys are hopeful of a television contract to take up the slack, however.

▶The rematch between Angelo Poffo and Wilbur Snyder, with Jack Sharkey, the former heavyweight champion, as guest referee, at the Olympia Stadium drew 11,633 fans who paid a gross of $27,316.80 for promoter Jim Barnett and Johnny Doyle. It was another successful venture for the pair.

There were also five all-star matches featuring Dick The Bruiser-Cowboy Bob Ellis, Yukon Eric-Hans Herman, Verne Gagne-Mike Clancy, Hans Schmidt-Mario Malano, the Shire Brothers and the Tolos Brothers.

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VIKINGS OF THE RING

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of an ideal fighting machine. Exceptionally fast for one of his physical proportions, Knute was a clever boxer and a tremendous hitter. He shaped up so impressively in his early bouts that Billy Gibson, who had managed Benny Leonard and Gene Tunney into world championships, laid out a robust wad of cash for the Dane's contract. It looked to be an excellent investment when Hansen ruined the American debut of the visiting Britisher, Phil Scott, by flattening him in one round in Madison Square Garden.

As subsequent developments attested, however, Hansen was strictly a "front-runner." If he didn't win in a hurry, and the opposition proved tougher than he liked, Knute became, er, "discouraged". After losing to Paulino Uzcudun and Franz Diener in New York, the Swede's descent into oblivion was hastened when K. O. Christener knocked him out in Cleveland.

Tandberg, who had previously won and lost the European title, invaded the United States after his surprising victory over lumbering Joe Baksi in Stockholm in 1947. For his first showing, Olle was the victim of stupid matchmaking. Standing 6 feet, 2 inches and scaling 208 pounds, Tandberg should have been paired with a big, slow-moving hulk like himself. Instead, he was pitted against light-heavyweight Joey Maxim, then at the peak of his shifty, elusive form. The lighter and speedier Maxim, who specialized in pasting the big fellows, had the Swede floundering futilely for ten rounds in Madison Square Garden.

Tandberg wasn't quite as inept as he looked that night, however, and before he returned to Sweden he whipped two ponderous rivals more to his liking, Walter Hafer in Miami and Diulio Spagnola in Boston.

Of the lighter Scandinavian visitors, Sanstol unquestionably was the best. Pete was a fine little fighting machine, a flashy boxer and snappy puncher. The little Norwegian was tremendously popular in Brooklyn and Montreal, where he did most of his fighting. Although he lost the decision, he gave lanky, ringwise Panama Al Brown a stiff argument in their battle for the bantam title in Montreal.

Sanstol, who began his American campaign in 1927, was a busy campaigner and crowded nearly one hundred fights into the seven years he fought in the United States and Canada. He was never knocked out and won 85 percent of his bouts.

Among the other ambassadors of punch exported by Scandinavia to Americans rings were light-heavyweight John Anderson of Sweden, middleweight Haaskon Hansen of Norway, welterweight Chris Christensen of Denmark and lightweight Elis Ask of Finland. They were all good "club fighters" but hardly of championship calibre.

Hansen, a stablemate of von Porat's, stayed from 1926 through 1932. He had about forty bouts, with wins and losses fairly evenly divided. Of his best-known opponents he knocked out Dago Joe Gans, Red Uhlan and Henry Firpo, decisioned Tommy McFarland, Vince Forgione and Floyd Hybert and drew with Pete Meyers and Walcott Langford, but was beaten by Tuffy Griffith, Clyde Chastain, Vittorio Livan, Pete Suskey, Frank Battaglia, Willie Oster and Ray Tramblie. Hansen ended his American jaunt when Sammy Slaughter knocked him out.

Anderson put in two years in the United States, through 1935 and 1936, and in twenty bouts he accounted for ten wins and three draws against seven defeats. His outstanding achievement was to take a decision from aging Mickey Walker. In two-bout series, Anderson lost and drew with Gus Lesnevich, won and lost with Al McCoy, won and lost with Al Gainer and won and drew with Jackie Aldare. Among his other performances were decisions over Red Bruce, Henry Firpo and Billy Ketchel, a draw with Freddie Fiducia and defeats by Bud Mignault, Steve Carr and Solly Krieger.

Ask visited the United States twice, in 1949 and again in 1950. His first jaunt was fairly successful, the Finn posting four wins in five outings. His one defeat was in a return bout with Charley Riley, whom Ask had outpointed in a previous meeting. Elis didn't fare so well on his next visit, with one victory and two defeats in three starts. He won from Massimo Sanna but lost to Red Top Davis and was knocked out by Jackie Graves.

Christensen didn't have much success, either, in his two trips to the United States in 1954-55 and 1957. In eight outings, he ended with a 3-5 record. Chris registered a surprise decision over Billy Graham and his other wins were over Johnny Lombardo and Gene Poirer, but he was beaten by Billy Lauderdale, Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Vince Martinez and Tony DiBiase and knocked out by Tony DeMarco.

DON JORDON SUCCESSFUL IN DEFENSE OF HIS CROWN

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take a heavy punch, jabs well to stand off an opponent and possesses perseverance. Few fighters could do what Don did when he found himself on the brink of defeat in the second round, Akins best, Jordan not only made a quick comeback, but did so with a handicapped hand."

Told by Teddy Brenner, new matchmaker of the Garden and Harry Markson, Director of Garden boxing, that he could have a title defense with Carmen Basilio, should the proposed Basilio-Robinson middleweight title bout not be consummated, Nesseth said, *"that's one he would gladly sign for whenever Basilio is ready to go back into the welter class."*

In the second round Akins twice buckled Jordan's knees with powerful body hits. He started out in the first with a similar attack and on my tally, he took the first two rounds handily, the first by 5 to 4 and the next by 5 to 3. But it didn't take Don long to recuperate.

Had not Akins blown his nose in the eighth round in which Jordan had knocked out his mouthpiece, the fight might have been closer. Virgil's action quickly closed the right eye, an inevitable result. No amount of ministration by his seconds and his personal physician who worked at the ringside, could help him thereafter. Henceforth, the eye and nose were targets for Don's perfect jabs and the Los Angeles champ kept piling up the points.

How Judge Hess could account for six even rounds, was the mystery of the fight. It called for considerable comment due to the fact that it was an easy fight to judge either by rounds or the five points system employed in Missouri.

Jordan declared that the second fight was much easier than their first because *"this time I knew what he was going to do and had prepared myself accordingly. I had to change my style and also keep my head on the move to avoid damage from his butting tactics.*

"I couldn't understand why Referee Kessler didn't warn Akins for his foul work, yet he told me I should stop holding when I had to do that at times to defend myself against such tactics. Now that the doctor has informed me that my injured hand has no break, I'll be ready to fight again in six weeks."

Akins' purse amounted to $27,662, the same as Jordan's. Each had received $13,412 of the net gate plus $14,250 from TV. Sam Muchnick, the promoter who did an excellent job on this postponed bout, announced the gross receipts as $53,906 with a paid attendance of 8,428. The bout, originally scheduled for March 6 was postponed when a tornado blew off the Arena roof and put off again on April 3, due to the illness of Akins' wife.

In the fourteenth round, Akins partially blinded, shoved Jordan through the ropes and then slipped through himself as he fell against the champion. Referee Kessler rushed forth and in an attempt to hold them got snarled in the ropes himself. This drew a hearty laugh from the spectators.

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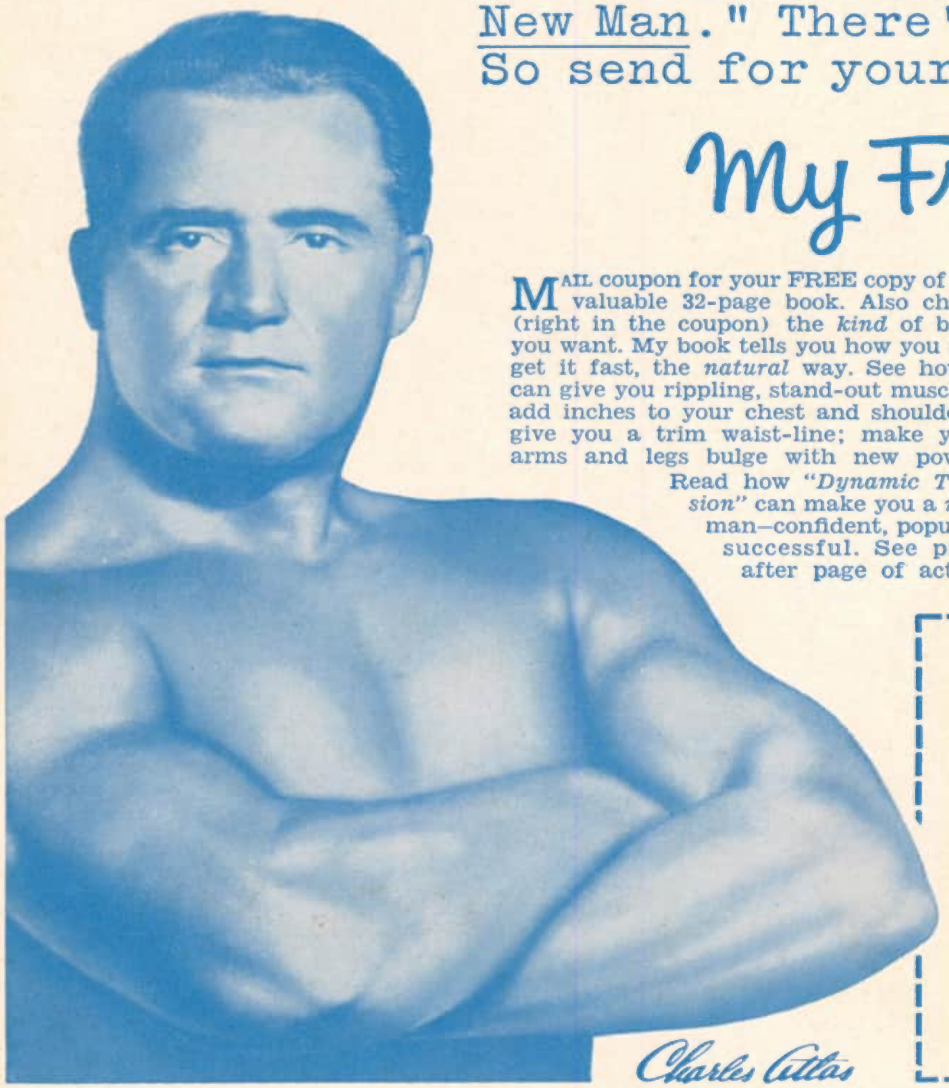

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